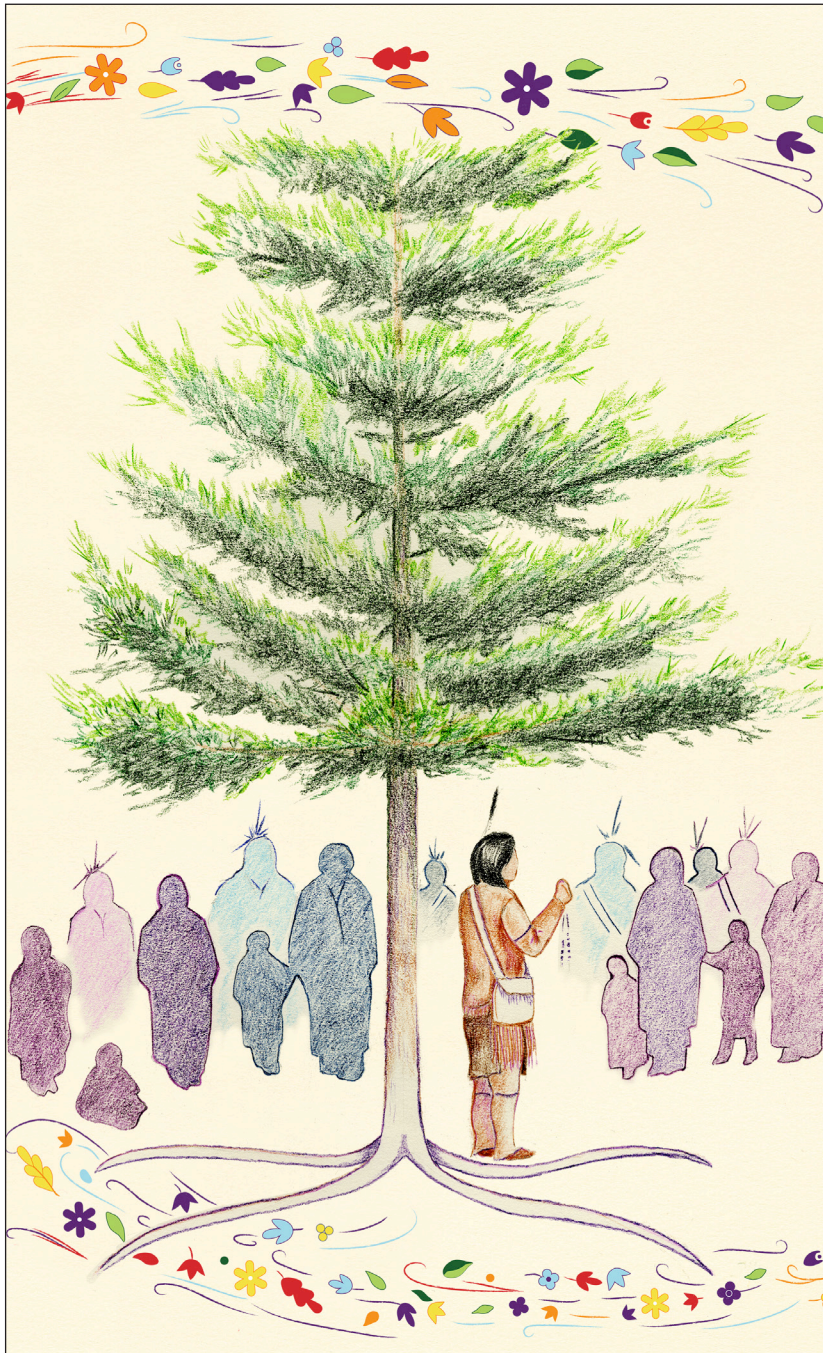




# EXCITING Future for Oneida's Past! pg 2

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## The Great Law Recital

**By Mark Powless**  
*General Manager*

The Oneida Nation is making preparations to host the Great Law Recital this summer, Monday, August 7 through Thursday, August 10. Originally, the Business Committee, Cultural Heritage, ONSS, Dept. of Public Works, Environmental, Health Center, Tsyunhéhkwa, Cannery, Police Department, Gaming Security, Communications, and the General Manager were all involved in 2019 to make this significant event happen in 2020. However, as the Pandemic continued, the recital was postponed to maintain safety in the community. Three years later, once again the anticipation builds. Watch for details and opportunities for you to volunteer.

Artwork Courtesy Rod Hill

**◆◆◆ GTC to Reconvene • Monday, April 10, 2023 ◆◆◆**

<b>Agenda</b>	On'ayote'a·ká ni'í Project Plan	Request to Consider Additional Responsibilities Compensation in the Absence of an Officer
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# Exciting Future for Oneida's Past!



Rendering Courtesy of Oneida Nation Museum Team  
Architectural rendering of the proposed new Oneida Nation Museum.

**By Garth Webster**  
*Creative Services-Kalihwisaks*

Since the Oneida Museum held its grand opening June 23, 1979 near the corner of Cty. E & EE in Oneida, it's been growing at an alarming pace, taking ownership of 6,000 artifacts, 80,000 photographs, and 75,000 pieces of archival and research material, making the need for a new location critically important.

Besides its age, physically, the prior location, according to the Oneida Engineering Department (OED), has many limitations, including an unstable environment for storing

antiquities and limited space. For instance, within the 1,500 square foot floor space, there is room to comfortably fit just 20 people. Furthermore, the space does not comply with the American Disabilities Act (ADA) nor does it have room for onsite collections storage, classroom activity, or workshops. OED went on to explain that intangibly, the location is far from convenient for most visitors to get to and thus, it's difficult to take advantage of the higher numbers of visitors a more prominent location will garner.

Increasing the number of visitors will lead to many benefits. Beyond the

apparent items such as more admission and gift shop sales, a new location could also lead to other revenue streams in the form of partnerships and grants. Most importantly, however, Stacy Coon, Museum Director, describes the responsibility our community has, "In addition to active participation from our community, we also have the responsibility as Oneida people that goes back to our Creation that can be interpreted to help give us a deeper sense of purpose in protecting these artifacts, which can also be further seen as an extension of our sovereignty. From a more contemporary perspective, having tribal museums and cultural centers can be thought of as efforts to remember our ways of knowing, and live them and to carry our knowledge with new knowledge to create a better future while preserving and sharing our past."



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# Winter Storm Packs a Punch but Can't Stop Oneida!



Photos Courtesy Garth Webster

Elder Services Team members prepare to embark out into the storm to deliver meals to Oneida Elders.

## By Garth Webster

*Creative Services-Kalihwisaks*

Over a 48 hour period, Wednesday and Thursday, February 22 and 23, 2023, the greater Green Bay area experienced widespread snowfall where 8-14 inches was commonplace. The storm also brought with it wind gusts that reached 52 mph, causing many schools, businesses, and organizations to close during the hazardous conditions. However, for several Oneida departments, including Elder Services and the Department of Public works (DPW), the show had to go on.

Elder Services employees John Hill, Judy Bozeman, and Dan Summers worked tirelessly to prepare and deliver meals to Oneida Elders. Along with delivering the meals for Wednesday during the storm, they also had to prepare and deliver Thursday's meals. It was a daunting task but they prevailed, along with the entire Elder Services team, led by Director, Elijah Metoxen, who explained that behind-the-scenes, many other services also continued during the closure.

Along with clearing the many Oneida Department drives and parking lots, there are approximately 100 elder residences that are either plowed, checked in on to make sure they are safe, or are ensured that their life-alert type devices are checked and functioning. The teamwork shown by Elder Services and DPW was only matched by the strength of Snow Storm Delilah. Thankfully, our Oneida elders are all cared for with steadfast dedication.





# Indigenous Games Movement Continues!



▲ Photos Courtesy Garth Webster  
Dan and Susan demonstrating and teaching the String Figures game.

▲ Dan and Susan encourage Oneida youth to enjoy Snowsnake.

## By Garth Webster

*Creative Services-Kalihwisaks*

The KáNi Kuhlí Yo Family Center held their Winter Indigenous Games version of their Kunhí-Yo (I'm Healthy) event Saturday, February 25, 2023, featuring husband and wife team, Dr. Dan and Susan Ninham at the Norbert Hill Center.

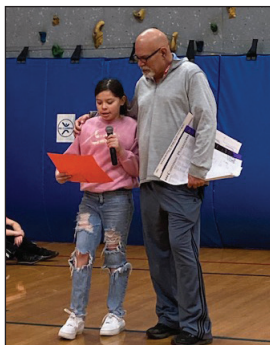
The Ninhams had the participants smiling and laughing while sharing their knowledge of various games; snowsnake, Haudenosaunee wooden stickball, Inuit games, Ojibway stickball, string figures, and running games. Dan and Susan have been sharing these games mainly in Minnesota schools and communities for a few decades since retiring. Dan shares his enthusiasm by proclaiming their motto, "The Indigenous games movement continues!" Wife, Susan, echoed her husband's sentiments, "I feel so proud when people participate in the Indigenous games we teach. Watching our people enjoy experiencing the games fills me with pride when they

acknowledge how the games make them feel connected to our ancestors. It's an honor to teach the games that have been dormant for far too long." Mr. and Mrs. Ninham also acknowledged Jackie Ninham and Shannon Hill for putting this event together.

Just prior to the Saturday activities, Dan's brother Paul was invited by Vicki Strzelecki, Oneida Youth Enrichment Services, to gift the students at Rock Ledge Elementary School in Seymour, WI with his knowledge of Indigenous games. During his interaction with the students, Paul explains, "There were several times I had to pause and feel the strong, beautiful energy I was receiving. There's something profound that occurs when I have forty students in a class, starting at four-year-old

kindergartners, and they are listening intently." In addition to the games, Paul intertwines Oneida cultural teachings, such as the matrilineal clan system and how the games were given to us by the Creator. Over the past four years, he's taught at numerous schools to around 8,000 students, which will be continuously increasing as he plans to teach about 80 students this April in the Milwaukee-based First Nations College Access Program and other surrounding Milwaukee schools. Another stop will include the Indigenous Health and Wellness Day at Madison College and even possibly a trip to the Alaskan Peninsula to the Aleut Village.

Together, Dan, Susan, and Paul will continue to engage their communities to ensure that both the Indigenous games they share and the cultural origins of the games will thrive in the hearts of all who are fortunate enough to learn from them.



◀ (Left) Paul Ninham coaching youth to help him present his knowledge of Indigenous games. ◀ (Right) Two students challenging each other in a game of strength called Inuit Stick Pull.



# DeGroot is Reaching for Hoop Dreams



Photos Courtesy Garth Webster

Green Bay Southwest students, friends, and parents, Clint and Tabitha, providing support and encouragement to Taliah as she commits to play and study at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

**By Garth Webster**  
Creative Services-Kalihwisaks

The future is bright for Green Bay Southwest Senior basketball (GBSW) standout, Taliah DeGroot, who signed her letter of intent Saturday, February 17, 2023 to play for the University of Wisconsin-Platteville Pioneers.

DeGroot, Oneida Member, with parents Clint and Tabitha at her side, signed her letter in front of roughly 60 friends, family, and GBSW faculty and coaches. DeGroot mentions that, although dealing with a shoulder injury, she is currently working hard to condition herself to play

at the college level and that she is inspired by GBSW alumni and fellow Oneida Member, Natisha Hiedeman, who is currently playing professionally for the Connecticut Sun. DeGroot continued on to describe her achievement, “I haven’t full comprehended this yet. It just makes me feel so good.”

Along with playing basketball this fall, Taliah also plans to study Psychology. She mentions that if she doesn’t make it to the WNBA, she would like to be a family forensic psychologist. Congratulations, Taliah. We’re all cheering you on!



Photo Courtesy Garth Webster

- ▲ Top: The Oneida Nation High School Lacrosse team began practice for their 2022-2023 season Monday, March 14, 2023.
- ◀ Left, seniors Tyson Webster, Tyler Gerbers, Royce Summers, kneeling front, Dane Van Boxtel, Donavan Danforth, with Coaching Staff Butch Summers, Curt Summers and Joey Powless. Coach not pictured: Byran Halona

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# Thomas, Oneida's New Forest Caretaker



**Brad Thomas**  
Oneida Nation Forester

**By Garth Webster**

*Creative Services-Kalihwisaks*

Brad Thomas, Snipe Clan of the Tuscarora Nation, was recently hired as the Oneida Nation Forester in January 2023.

Thomas graduated from Canisius College of Buffalo, NY and furthered his studies with a Masters of Forestry from the State University of New York College (SUNY) of Environmental Science and Forestry. He is also a Sloan Indigenous Graduate, a fellowship program that strengthens and expands university initiatives to recruit, train, and graduate American Indian and Alaska Native Students in science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) programs. It was within this program that Thomas had the opportunity to study under the tutelage of Neil Patterson Jr, former Director of Tuscarora's Environmental Program and Robin Wall Kimmerer, who is most recently known for her book, *Braiding Sweetgrass*.

Before completing his studies in May 2022, Thomas gained experience from

numerous organizations, including, but not limited to; the US Fish and Wildlife Service, Cornell University, and the Haudenosaunee Environmental Task Force. It was during his work at Gutchess Lumber in Cortland, NY, though, that affirmed his passion for forestry. Thus, when he was made aware of the Oneida forester position it was a perfect fit to be the caretaker of our forest resources. It was also a chance to ask him about a hot topic about one of the more culturally important trees to Oneida.

The October 2022 issue of the Kalihwisaks chronicles the devastation that the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is causing to the Ash trees all across Turtle Island. When asked about this issue and the plans to combat it, Thomas mentions that he is still in the information-gathering stage for this issue here in Oneida. He discussed few of the mitigation factors surrounding this environmental concern, one of which these involves releasing insects that prey on the EAB. He advises to wary of such methods as they can result in unanticipated problems. Therefore, his current recommendation is to harvest the at-risk ash trees to keep EAB numbers down as they would have less Ash trees to infest. We also get to retain any material we can for our basket makers. There is also hope that there is a small percentage of resistant Ash trees that will withstand the test of time and outlive the EAB. The plan for Ash on Oneida will evolve as I have more time to collaborate with more community members as well as other foresters from around the state and region. Another factor, which he is still working on, is what types of resources, financial or otherwise, that Oneida wants to provide to overcome the EAB.

## Falling Leaves 4-H Club

**By Harlan Cooper**

*4-H Club Leader*

Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H (FL4H) Club is gearing up for spring and summer with special project events, judging shows, swap meets, and community service activities.

First, the pond at the FL4H will be made wider and deeper. We will also be adding a new green house for community conservation group activities. Finally, the Oneida corn growers are preparing for an exciting growing season. Rumor has it they might have an open-to-the-public corn roast this year at the FL4H. In addition to these events, Oneida Falling Leaves recently welcomed two young ladies to the club, Miss Ava and Miss Caitlyn.

As a member of the Bear Clan, Ava's projects include poultry, goats, equestrian riding, and being a part of a youth church group called Awana. Plus, she is a great cook. Ava is also planning for next year when she'll be old enough to show her pet goat, Nibbles, and her rooster, who she says has too much attitude. A black otter rabbit will also be joining the family soon. Miss Caitlyn, of the Potawatomi Nation, is an 8th grader from Seymour, who loves riding her Appaloosa horse. Like Ava, she also has goats and poultry. In fact, Caitlyn is expecting ten baby goats to be delivered this spring.

Oneida Falling Leaves is glad to have Indigenous Nation members, Ava and Caitlyn, as part of the club. In fact, all 12 Indigenous Nations of Wisconsin are represented in Wisconsin 4-H Clubs.

To Join 4-H, call Harlan Cooper at 920.254.9641 or Vicky at the UW Extension Appleton Office at 920.832.5123. Make sure to Follow Oneida Falling Leaves on Facebook.

Calendar of Events:

April 15–Entries for the Outagamie Fair

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Falling Leaves 4-H Club



# New Training & Development Director



**Laura Laitinen-Warren**  
Training & Development Director

HRD is extremely excited to announce that effective March 12, 2023, Laura Laitinen-Warren will assume the duties of Training and Development Director for the Oneida Nation. Laura brings a wealth of experience and knowledge and is very excited to begin her new role as the Director.

Laura currently works for the Nation as an Operations Analyst for the

Education and Training Department. Laura has served in various capacities during her career within Oneida including numerous years in Gaming, working as the Training and Development Manager, Safety Manager, Gaming Trainer/SCERT Program Advisor, and Career Counselor. She has also worked as a Senior Policy Advisor to the Chairman's Office.

Outside of her experience with the Oneida Nation, Laura also serves as a Board of Education Trustee for the Green Bay Area Public Schools and has also been an Adjunct Instructor for UW-Oshkosh. Laura is a highly educated professional with multiple degrees that include a Master of Science in Educational Leadership, Doctoral of Philosophy as well as her Professional Certification in Human Resources (PHR).

HRD is excited to integrate Laura into her new role as we look to grow and expand the Training program for the Nation. Yawáko

**From page 6/ Falling Leaves 4-H Club**

May 13, 7am, Swap, 8am Show–Small Animals fun show at Outagamie Fairgrounds

May 20, 9-11am–Avian Flu testing at Karen Kuhn's, N6560 County Rd PP, Black Creek, WI 54106



Photos Courtesy  
Lisa Hubbard and  
Tabitha Parkerr

◀ (Left)  
Miss Ava

◀ (Right)  
Miss Caitlyn



**“Great News!!!”**

**The Oneida Higher Education Department College Comeback Program is here!**

The purpose of the program is to assist students currently suspended from the Oneida Higher Education Grant regain eligibility. This new program considers the cost of books and tuition only.

More information and application materials can be found on the Oneida Higher Education Website:

 [oneida-nsn.gov/education/highereducation/](https://oneida-nsn.gov/education/highereducation/)

 [Highered@oneidanation.org](mailto:Highered@oneidanation.org)

**QUESTIONS**  **920.869.4033**



**55th Annual Oneida Royalty Pageant**

June 20th, 2023 at 6pm

Ladies start getting your regalia, talent, and interview skills polished

**Application information coming in May 2023**





# Whose Land? Project Continues



▲ Photos Courtesy Garth Webster  
Denis Gullickson, far right, with Whose Land? participants.



▲ James Levy, Whose Land? Project Lead, noting memory maps with Oneida community members.

## By Garth Webster

*Creative Services-Kalihwisaks*

Denis Gullickson, along with his Oneida Nation High School (ONHS) journalism students, invited community members to share their memories, keepsakes, photographs, letters, and other documentation on Saturday, March 4, 2023 with James Levy and his colleagues as they continue their research regarding the Whose Land? project.

When Levy began this effort in 2012, it was a Wisconsin state-wide project that gathered the oral histories of farming practices of various nationalities in the area, such as German, Hmong, European, African American and Oneida. The result was an audio/visual exhibit titled, *Lands We Share*, in 2019. Since then, Levy and his partners, including Associate Professor in the History Department at the University of Oshkosh, Stephen Kercher, explained that the project shifted most of its focus not just to Oneida farming, but to a broader focus of all the land originally owned by Oneida, but lost possession of due to various circumstances.

The Saturday conversation began as a roundtable discussion of how Oneida members, living away in larger cities, moved back home and the circumstances they faced while doing so. After a quick lunch break, attendees gathered around hand-drawn memory maps. It was a lively discussion which included many insightful and historically significant comments from community members such as Oneida Public Relations Director, Bobbi Webster and Oneida Legislative Affairs Strategist, Bill

Gollnick. Topics included the location of walking paths, the original site of Council Meetings, the origins of the name, “Chicago Corners,” and the purchase of the Norbert Hill Center in late 1970’s.

Stay tuned as Levy, Gullickson, and the ONHS Students organize the information into an array of mediums, including a podcast.

▼ Participants began the Whose Land? discussions as a roundtable.







## HERE AT DUCK CREEK ALU?KOWA·NÉ

**By Michelle Danforth-Anderson,**  
*Marketing & Tourism Director*

(Da-loo-go-wan-ne) Here at Duck Creek will be a monthly column about something happening here in our Oneida community. This includes updates to Big Bear Media/Tourism building & media projects including; Amelia Cornelius Culture Park and the Pow Wow Arbor. In the last couple of months, Oneida Engineering Services has been working on the construction engineering plans. The plans are roughly 70% complete except for the visitor center/bathrooms/pavilion. Those will be next on the list of to-dos. Document scanning continues to get the Gordon McLester collection digitized.



Records will be available in the next few weeks on the ExploreOneida.com timeline along with project updates. A special thanks to modified-duty workers, Fern Daney, Doris Chambers, and Carl King.

- ▲ Scanning the Gordon McLester documents that will be uploaded to ExploreOneida.com
- ◀ Gordon McLester paper collection.



### Calling all Tribal Elders...

- ✓ Are you 55 or older and interested in earning non-reportable money?
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# Choosing the Right Contractor

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- 1 Do your research.** Ask friends and family for recommendations. Ask the contractor for references. Do online research and look for negative reviews.

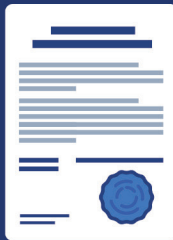


- 6 Verify the contractor's insurance.** Obtain a copy of the insurance certificates from the contractor and make sure they're current. Call your state insurance regulator to confirm the appropriate liability, workers' compensation, and property damage insurance are in place.



- 2 Verify the license.** Many state and local governments have licensing for contractors. Check with your local consumer protection agency, licensing board, or building department to determine the requirements.

- 3 Obtain at least 3 estimates in writing before signing a contract.** Estimates should include a detailed description of the work, the start and completion date, payment schedule, list of materials, total cost of the job and any warranties.



- 7 Avoid potential liens.** You could be on the hook if there are subcontractors and suppliers and the contractor fails to pay them. Check with your state or local consumer protection agency about whether they could place liens on your property in that case, and if so, ask the contractor to give you a written "release of lien" stating that all subcontractors and suppliers have been paid before you make the final payment for the work.



- 4 Avoid paying a large deposit to start the work.** Never pay for the entire job up front.

- 8 Watch out for scammers.** Don't do business with any contractor who approaches you unsolicited, claims to have material left over from a previous job, or pressures you for a decision immediately. These are red flags of home improvement fraud.



- 5 The contractor should pull the applicable permits, not the homeowner.** Ensure that inspections are completed and passed before making final payment.



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# Buenrostro-My Message Could Save Lives



Photos Courtesy Gina Buenrostro-Powless

Gina Buenrostro-Powless (center) with her family and CNN crew while filming her interview at her home.

## By Garth Webster

*Creative Services-Kalihwisaks*

In November 2009, according to Gina Powless-Buenrostro, Oneida member, she was diagnosed with Ovarian Cancer due to her use of Johnson & Johnson (J&J) Talcum Powder. Since then, Buenrostro and 40,000+ other women are involved in a lawsuit seeking damages from Johnson & Johnson.

Buenrostro's goal is to inform the Oneida Community and anyone reading this article to first be aware of this issue and second, to get screened for cancer, especially if you have used this product consistently in the past, and third, that it could also affect your children, especially if you've used this product during pregnancy. She points out that the Johnson & Johnson powder contained asbestos, a very carcinogenic material that once absorbed by your body, can attach itself to organs and cause cancer.

Buenrostro states, "It was strange and out of the ordinary that I contracted this specific type of cancer. None of my family has ever had this ovarian cancer. It doesn't run in either my paternal or maternal sides. The tissues of my ovaries were tested and were found to have asbestos fibers embedded in them. Ovarian cancer is usually called the silent killer because there are no symptoms. Like many other women, I underwent chemotherapy. However, unlike other women, I stopped the chemotherapy against my doctor's advice because it was affecting me in such a devastating and harmful way. I couldn't eat or sleep. I became very depressed and everything that brought me happiness prior to using chemotherapy now brought me only emptiness. The chemotherapy was killing the cancer cells in my body, but it was also killing my mental, emotional, and spiritual health. I felt I was only buying more time. However,

that time meant nothing to me because my quality of life was so diminished. It was then that I decided to utilize our Native indigenous traditional medicines and ceremonies to heal. Those ceremonies were on my mind since day one of my diagnosis. Our Native people across North and South America have traditional uses of medicines and ceremonies still intact within their communities. Those ceremonies are ancient and can be still used for healing diseases that are not indigenous to Native people." Buenrostro continued on by saying she's grateful that others are also building awareness, including a well known national and international news company.

In November 2022, CNN conducted an interview with Buenrostro that chronicles both her journey to overcome ovarian cancer using Native ceremonies & medicines and the litigation involving J&J. This special report will air April 16 and April 23, 2023.



# Live Like Nelson-One Year Later



As we approach the year anniversary of our dear Son Nelson's journey to his eternal home we are able to reflect on all the support given to get us through this tragic time in our lives. We humbly thank you Oneida Community! Thank you for your words of encouragement, your strength, your prayers, and your loving hearts. You fought our fight right alongside us and still continue to provide comfort alongside us as we grieve. Although our dear sweet Nelson's earthly journey has ended, he left an imprint on our hearts, minds, and bodies that will last forever. There's not a day that goes by that we don't think of our dear

SON, and our community that has given us strength to endure the pain of a grieving parent. From the bottom of our hearts, THANK YOU. Thank you to our LAX Fam. You all have been AMAZING! You truly are our FAMILY! You've loved our Nelly like your own and you've stepped in on day one for Nelson, Waylon and Us. Thank you for organizing Nelson's fire. Thank you to all the fire keepers, for the donations, those who set up and took down and those who came to pay their respects. Thank you Paul and Jill for providing your home (even in your own grief). Thank you Curt for officiating Nelson's fire and the beautiful words explaining Nelson's new journey. Thank you to all who participated in Nelson's medicine game, those who wore stickers on your helmets, our surrounding lax communities, Marion College Lacrosse, Nelson's teammates and coaches, and all those who continue to rep our Baby! Continuing to see his name out in the community will never get old! Thank you to Dionne and all the friends who helped make the beautiful shirts and skirts. Thank you to Ryan's funeral home. Matthew you were so helpful, patient and kind. Thank you to our

Pallbearers; Mark, Oscar, Brandon, Hudson, Fox, and Ernest, to Pastor Malme and Pilgrim staff, to Uncle Peter and Uncle Cletus. We appreciate all those who sent the gorgeous floral arrangements and to those who took the time to say their last goodbyes. Thank you to all the young Men who performed the Haka at the burial. What an honor! Thank you to Bud and staff at Schlaefter Memorial for helping us honor Nelson with a beautiful headstone. Thank you to the staff and students at Southwest High school, Lombardi and King! You all have been so accommodating, thoughtful, and kind! To all of Nelson's friends, thank you for going above and beyond for not only Waylon, but for Jerm and me as well. You all have shown such maturity and compassion way beyond your years! To our Parents, Brothers, Sisters, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, all our Friends, Coworkers, and Community thank you for EVERYTHING! We love you ALL!

With Never Ending Gratitude,  
Jeremy, Dawn, Waylon and Nelly  
*In Loving Memory*  
Nelson "NELLY" Vande Hei  
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## Yawwá'kó to the Community Farewell from Yukwatsistayá

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# Oneida Bicentennial Week July 25–30, 2023

## Tuesday, July 25

- Edge of the Woods ceremony with Delegates
- Elder Breakfast with Dignitaries (Radisson)
- 200 Year Commemoration
- National Treasures Awards Dinner (Radisson)

## Wednesday–Friday, July 26–28

- History Conference (Wed., Thur.)
- Various Art Demonstrations (Amelia Cornelius Culture Park, Wed.)
- Cultural Lesson (Amelia Cornelius Culture Park, Wed.-Fri.)
- Kayak/Canoeing (Finger Lake, Wed.-Fri.)
- Lacrosse Camp (Norbert Hills Center, Wed.-Fri.)

## Thursday, July 27

- Various Art Demonstrations (Amelia Cornelius Culture Park)

## Friday, July 28

- Breakfast with Cultural Speaker (Radisson)
- Cornhusk Doll Making (Location TBD)
- Various Art Demonstrations (Amelia Cornelius Culture Park)
- Theater Night

## July 29 – Saturday Family Fun Day at Norbert Hill Center

- Walk/Run
- Lacrosse Tournament
- Mini Art Show
- Notable Oneidas (Genealogy)
- Cornsoup Class
- Business Committee Dunk Tank
- Car Show
- Basketball Activity
- Scavenger Hunt Concludes
- Wagon Rides
- Facepainting for Kids
- Painting for Kids
- Ice Cream Truck
- Smudging
- Dinner/Food Truck
- Live Music
- Smoke Dancers
- Jigging Contest
- Fireworks
- Bouncy Houses

## Sunday, July 30

- Spiritual Services
- Oneida Hymnal Singers

**Stay tuned for more details!**

Days, events, and activities subject to change.





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<b>Grand Entry Times</b>	
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NO CANOPIES ALLOWED. For more information, call the Oneida Pow Wow Event Team: Tonya 920.362.5425, twebster@oneidanation.org or Rosa 920.548.0122, rlaster@oneidanation.org. Vendors call or email Tonya.



# I WEAR RED

## NATIONAL MISSING & MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMAN/RELATION WALK



### MAY 6 • 10am

Walk begins at Oneida Nation Civic Center  
2913 Artley St., Oneida, WI

Ending at Norbert Hill Center  
N7210 Seminary Rd., Oneida, WI

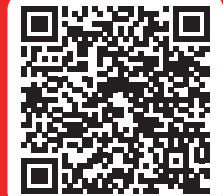
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## I Wear Red Keynote Speaker: Rachel Fernandez



Rachel Fernandez, Menominee Nation member, is an activist, tribal legislator, survivor, as well as the founder and executive director of Maeqtekuahkihkiw Metaemohsak-Woodland Women- a nonprofit organization that promotes cultural advocacy and community outreach. In the past, Fernandez has worked with domestic and sex abuse victims and extends that same advocacy in her outspoken support for the MMIW movement, cultural climate, and residential school survivor activism. She is also a member of the Wisconsin MMIW Task Force and the Wisconsin Women's Council.

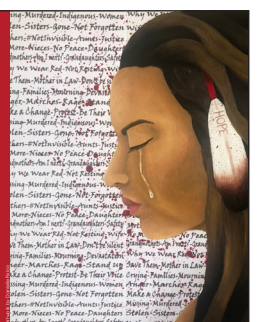


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The Oneida Comprehensive Health Division

# Needs your input!


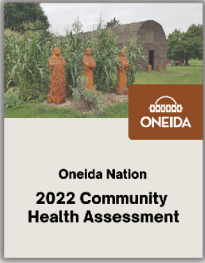

In Spring of 2022, a health survey was sent out to all Oneida Enrolled Tribal Members living in Brown & Outagamie Counties. With the data collected from that survey - along with additional data sources, the Oneida Community Health Services Department worked to put together a Comprehensive Community Health Assessment.

The assessment is now complete and ready for you to view!

After reviewing the assessment, the Oneida Community Health Services Department is asking for your assistance on deciding which areas of health to prioritize over the next 5 years. There is a link to the survey at the end of the assessment for you to vote on your top 3 health priorities for the community.

Please provide feedback by April 15th!

Click or Scan the QR Code to View 2022 Community Health Assessment

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**SUBMIT QUESTIONS REGARDING APPLICATION TO:**

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- ▶ Oneida DPW- Indian Preference
- ▶ P.O. Box 365 • Oneida, WI 54155
- ▶ Travis Wallenfang, Indian Preference Department 920.869.1059,1\* Ext. 2003

**HOW TO APPLY:**


Go to: oneida-nsn.gov

- ▶ Select Business tab
- ▶ Select Indian Preference
- ▶ Click online application tab
- ▶ Click on Trade Skills Bank Application

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**SENIOR PICTURES**  
SUBMISSIONS  
THURSDAY,  
MAY 4, 2023

Email photo, name of high school, and a brief sentence of post-high school plans by end of day, Thursday, May 4, 2023 to [Kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org](mailto:Kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org).

All submissions will be published in the June edition. Reminder this is for high school seniors only.

**Do you know where to go for a local partner when it comes to handling your business insurance needs?**

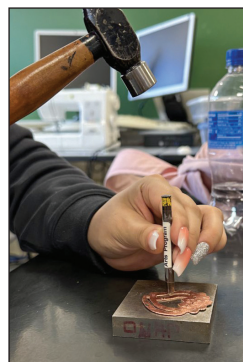
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# ONAP Silver Brooch Class



Photos Courtesy Oneida Nation School Faculty

The Oneida Nation High School jewelry class welcomed guest artist Colleen Bins into their classroom March 7-15, 2023 to teach them Haudenosaunee silversmithing techniques and designs. Bins is an Oneida artist as well as a designer, metalsmith, bead worker, dollmaker, and potter. To practice, each student first made a brooch or pendant from copper and later, made another brooch or pendant from silver. The class was sponsored by a DAP grant received by the Oneida Nation Arts Program and Wisconsin Arts Board.



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**Congratulations!**

Photo courtesy of Emma's Grandpa, Mel Webster

Ari Wilder (mother Rietta Talavera) and Emma John (parents Jonathan John & Autumn Webster) defeated the Junior Lancers 42-33 to capture the 7th Grade State Basketball Championship on Sunday, March 12, 2023 at the Nicholas Recreation Center in Madison, WI. Way to go Emma and Ari!

## Radisson GREEN BAY

# Easter Brunch

**April 9, 2023**  
**9:30am - 2:00pm**

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visit [www.GolfThornberry.com/2023-easter-egg-hunt-brunch](http://www.GolfThornberry.com/2023-easter-egg-hunt-brunch)



**DENNIS WAYNE DOXTATER JR.**  
**January 21, 1976 - March 11, 2023**

Our family lost Dennis Wayne Doxtater Jr. unexpectedly March 11, 2023. He was born January 21, 1976, the son of Dennis

Doxtater Sr. and a brother to so many of his cousins and friends who lovingly knew him as "Bear."

There were many facets to Bear's life. He found fulfillment volunteering at an animal shelter caring for the cats. He enjoyed sharing stories and memories of his youth. He inspired so many with his knowledge of music plus he was also a very talented writer and artist. He had a love and admiration for nature and animals, especially cats (& Brittany Spears).

Memories extend from him being that chubby little boy in the picture with Jaws underneath, him hanging out with Dale, Nona, and Sonny when they were all young, to him enjoying going on adventures through state parks and woods. Mostly, he appreciated and loved his family, so many cousins, Aunties and Uncles.

He is survived by his father Dennis Doxtater Sr. (Kim Paluch) and his younger brother Garrett, his Godson Daryl Cornelius Jr. and Daryl's mother Odessa Doxtater, his sister Sasha Cloud (Dan Kain) and his brother James Doxtater, Aunts, Uncles, and so many cousins that looked to him as their brother.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Agatha Doxtater nee Hall and his step-mother Helen Doxtater nee Peters, his grandfather Cleveland Doxtater Sr., his cousins Millie and Eddie, his Aunt Shirley and his Uncle C.J.

Visitation will be held Monday, March 20, 2023 at Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth St. De Pere, WI 54115, at 10am-12pm followed by services and

a meal, with burial at 2pm. at the Oneida Sacred Burial Grounds.

**PAMELA M. GREEN-LABARGE**  
**December 27, 1956 - February 18, 2023**

Pamela M. Green-LaBarge, 66, of Lac du Flambeau, passed away on February 18, 2023 at the Howard Young

Medical Center in Woodruff. She is survived by her son Arthur (Katie) LaBarge of Lac du Flambeau. Per her request, there will be no services.

Bolger Cremation & Funeral Services is assisting the family, [www.bolgerfuneral.com](http://www.bolgerfuneral.com) to share condolences.

**JAMES (JIM) DALTON MARTIN**  
**March 30, 1948 - February 18, 2023**

James (Jim) Dalton Martin, 74, of De Pere, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully at home on February 18,

surrounded by his loving family. He was born and raised in Keshena, Wisconsin to Wesley and Elizabeth "Libby" (DeCoteau) Martin, on March 30, 1948. He was the youngest of their eight surviving children. Jim married his high school sweetheart, Georgianna Marie Walter, on December 20, 1966. They were married for 49 years before her passing in 2016.

Jim graduated from Shawano High School and, later, the University of Wisconsin – Green Bay. Jim was a veteran of the Vietnam War and honorably served in the United States Army from 1966-1969. Jim also was a proud member of the Oneida AmVets group, and participated in many of their events.

A lifelong believer in the power of education, Jim encouraged his children to do well in school and to pursue higher education, no matter their chosen discipline. But more importantly, Jim believed travel was the best education and hit the road at every opportunity. He never saw a historical marker he didn't like, and frequently annoyed his children with stops to read roadside markers on his way to anywhere. No matter if it was a classic road trip with his family or weekend getaway with Georgianna, Jim made the most of the unique opportunities every new place afforded.

Jim is survived by his children Aurene (Steve Clark) Martin, Bridgit Martin, James "Sonny" Martin, Kenneth Martin, Sarah Martin, Jamie Agard-Martin, and Jenna Corn; daughter-in-law Tanya Lopez-Martin; grandchildren William Couture, Wade and Katie Waukau, Sonny "Alex" and Jaycob Martin, and David and Joshua Clark, Saunders, Syanne, Sena and Sophia Young Bird, Anthony Corn, Robert, Rylee and Allie Jo LaTender; great-granddaughter Mila Kay Young Bird; siblings: brother Wesley Martin, Jr., sister Muriel Bzdawka; sisters-in-law Patsy Cordts, Beverly Martin, and Betsy Martin; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Jim is preceded in death by both parents Wes and Libby Martin, his beloved wife and soulmate Georgianna, grandson Roland "RJ" Couture, sisters and brothers in-law Joyce and Roger Peters, Delores and Al Wilke, Lois "Chantel" and Robert Johnson, Darlene and John Spantikow, brothers Harry Martin and Guy Allen Martin, and brothers in-law Daryl Bzdawka and George Walter.

At Jim's request, there will be no ceremony or celebration of life. His family asks that you simply remember Jim as he was, always ready with a story and a laugh.



**DAVID M. PADRON**  
**September 29, 1961 - February 21, 2023**

Dave was born to Eternal Life on February 21, 2023 at age 61. He is the Beloved Son of Juan and Annette, a Dear Brother to John (Maria), Jesse (Lisa), Maria (Jeff), Patricia, Elizabeth (Larry), Frances, Anna, Consuelo (Dan), Joseph, Juanita (John), Rosanna (John), Annette (Joe), James (Elizabeth), Cipriano (Becky). Uncle Dave loved all his Nieces and Nephews very much.

Everyone that knew Dave felt that he was a kind and devoted friend, he'd give you the shirt off his back and always helped those in need. Dave especially loved spending time with our Cousins, he treated them as his Brothers and Sisters as well.

You are Loved and will be Greatly missed Bro. Give Ma and Dad a hug and a kiss from us. God Bless You, keep you and rest your soul.

Visitation at the Max A. Sass & Sons Funeral Home on Friday, March 3 from 10am-1pm. Funeral Service at 11:30am.

Native American Ceremony at 1pm.

**GERALD (JAKE) PATRICK SAWYER**  
**August 28, 1960 - February 22, 2023**

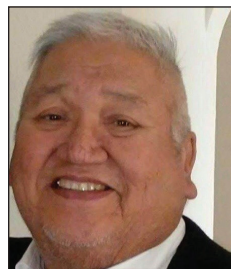
Gerald (Jake) Patrick Sawyer, 62, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, February 22, 2023. After a long battle with

Dementia. Jake was employed by the Oneida Casino as a Security Officer for 26 years. This is where he met his wife Michelle (Honey) Trepania. Jake was a huge fan of the Green Bay Packers, New York Yankees, and Miami Gators. He enjoyed going for long walks with his dogs and sitting

around the bonfire while listening to music. He found joy in riding to different destinations on his Harley.

Jake is survived by his wife Michelle (Honey) Sawyer, Elijah (Alebra) Metoxen, Mercy (Levi King) Metoxen, Schuyler (John John) Metoxen, His grandchildren Brennan, Elijah Jr., Jossalyn (Kahátawakhu), Lohátiyo, Lawisanawase, Ezias Chance, Jashon, Orie, Wayne, Mina, Lucy, Luna, Osiris, Jionni, Nalia, Malia, and 5 great-grandchildren. His brothers Tom and Jimmy John. Jake is preceded in death by his parents Tom and Barbara, and his sister Mary.

Friends may come to celebrate his life on Wednesday, March 1st. Vet's Hall in Oneida from 5-8pm. N7210 Seminary Road Oneida, Wisconsin. Special thanks to the entire staff at Eden's East Nursing Home Memory Care Unit and the Promedica Hospice staff.

**OSCAR S. "SONNY" SCHUYLER**  
**January 24, 1937 - March 16, 2023**

Oscar S. "Sonny" Schuyler, 86, Oneida, passed away Thursday morning, March 16, 2023. He was born January 24, 1937, in

Milwaukee to the late Oscar and Serina (Summers) Schuyler.

Sonny proudly served in the U.S. Army from 1956 – 1965 being stationed in France and Japan.

An avid sports fan, he enjoyed watching them all, especially the Little League World Series. Sonny graduated from N.W.T.C. at the age of 54. He was employed at Brauman Paper Company in Green Bay, and retired from WPS, he then went on to work security for the Oneida Nation. Sonny's greatest accomplishment was his family, and he was a wonderful dad and grandpa.

He is survived by his children; Rita (Warren) Reiter, David (Chewy) Schuyler, Rebecca (Jimmy Cantu) Schuyler, Oscar (DeAnna) Schuyler, Teresa (Jon) Kaquatosh, Todd Schuyler, and special nephew Scott (Lenee) Schuyler.

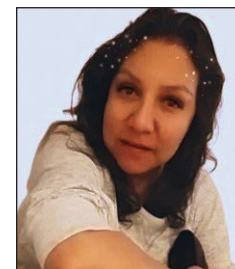
As Sonny would say, he is further survived by a shit ton grandchildren and two shit tons of great grandchildren. His two brothers, William Schuyler Sr., and Gary Schuyler Sr., also survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Robert Schuyler Sr., two nephews; Gary Schuyler Jr., and Damien Johnston, as well as the love of his life Telka Schuyler.

Friends may call at Ryan Funeral Home 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere from 4pm Wednesday, March 22nd, with the Oneida Hymn Singers singing at 7:30pm to bring the evening to a close at 8pm. Visitation will continue from 9-10:15am on Thursday at Church of the Holy Apostles, Oneida, until Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30am with Fr. James Biegler officiating.

Dad, Grandpa, we will always remember your great sense of humor and wonderful smile.

Special thanks to the staff of St. Vincent 6th floor I.C.U., and Doctor's Maymoona Attiyat and Michael Flood, for the care and compassion shown to our Dad and family.

**MELISSA M. "SQUEAK" SELWYN**  
**May 26, 1969- February 26, 2023**

Melissa M. "Squeak" Selwyn, age 53, of Green Bay, passed away Sunday, February 26, 2023 with her loving family at

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Melissa M. "Squeak" Selwyn



**From page 21/***Melissa M. "Squeak" Selwyn*

her side, after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born May 26, 1969 in Prickle Lake, SD, daughter of the late Robert and Elizabeth (Keeble) Selwyn.

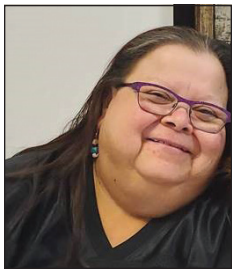
Melissa enjoyed listening to music and dancing. She was a very neat and tidy lady and worked as a housekeeper. Her family remembers her as a great story teller.

Squeak was a kind hearted woman, a proud mom, auntie and grandma.

Melissa is survived by her children, Mason Pamonicutt, Derek Pamonicutt and Stephani Schabow; 2 grandchildren, Ava Metoxen and Brianna Pamonicutt; siblings: Twila Jourdan, Daniel Taylor and Carole Taylor; a favorite niece, Becky Selwyn and favorite great-nieces, Audia Webster and Adriana Metoxen and favorite nephew, Anthony Selwyn.

She was preceded in death by her parents; 4 brothers: James Bernard, Troy Selwyn, Lonnie Selwyn and Jason Taylor and a sister, Denise Taylor.

Visitation will be held at Newcomer -Green Bay Chapel (340 S. Monroe Ave., Green Bay, WI), Tuesday, March 7, 2023 from 4-6pm. A memorial service will follow at 6pm.

**CAROL ANN STEVENS  
April 30, 1956 - March 13, 2023**

Carol Ann Stevens, resident of Oneida, WI, passed away on March 13, 2023. She was born on April 30, 1956 to Lorena Nicholas

Wallenfang and Wenzel Wallenfang Sr. in Green Bay.

She was in a relationship with Gerald Skenandore for 15 years.

She is survived by her sisters Mary Jane Pitman, Amy Wallenfang, Inagal Bain, her brother Edwin Wallenfang, as well

as her great-aunt Betty Nicholas.

Carol is preceded in death by her parents, her brothers, Wenzel Wallenfang Jr. and Fred Wallenfang, and her nephew Linden Bain.

Friends and family may come to call at Ryan Funeral Home on Sunday, March 19 for visitation from 11am-1pm. A service will begin following the visitation with Deacon Deborah Heckel officiating. Burial will take place at Oneida Methodist Cemetery later.

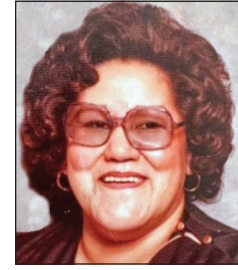
**SHEILA BRIGHT STAR STEVENS  
November 28, 1996 - February 28, 2023**

Sheila Bright Star Stevens was born November 28, 1996, to Amy Manders and Craig Stevens. She was the youngest of their

two children. For 3 years Sheila has struggles with health issues. She loved animals, especially dogs and had worked as a dog trainer.

Sheila is survived by the love of her life, Bradley Sievers; her mom and dad, her sister, Heather Stevens and Brook Maness and their children, Howard and Elowise; her brother Derek Manders; maternal grandparents Albert and Vicki (Heuvelmans) Manders; aunts, uncles, and cousins. Sheila was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Buck, and Geri Stevens.

Friends may call from 1pm on Saturday, March 4, 2023, at Ryan Funeral Home 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere. Leander Danforth will lead a service at 4pm.

**ROBERTA "DOT" YOUNG  
YENUNYA'KWA:THA  
December 28, 1942 - February 17, 2023**

Roberta "Dot" Young (Yenunya'kwa:tha) aged 80 years, she lived in Oneida, Wisconsin. Roberta was born on

December 28, 1942, Keshena Wisconsin to Irene Pearce Webster and Washington Eli Webster. She was raised in Neopit, Wisconsin with her ten siblings. In her early years she used to walk in her sleep which is how she received her nickname Dot, as she wandered the house in the night. In her early adult years, she moved off the Menominee Indian Rez to the big city of Chicago, Illinois where she resided until 1998. She met the love of her life, Brodie Young around 1970, they were twice married, for the second time in 1981 at St. Thomas of Canterbury Church. Roberta had seven children, Teresa Coon, Irene (Jose) Madrigal, Lois (Barry) Velasquez, Brodie Young Jr., Jacquelyn (The late James) Davis, Raven (Frank) Villa. She had 25 Grandchildren and 35 Great-grandchildren. She was a jack of all trades and worked in many different areas, including Truman College and mentored many Amer-Indian peoples. Most importantly she sought to make a positive impact on her immediate community and strived for the advancement of and sought justice for Native American Indian people, and All persons of color. Roberta loved caring for children, she enjoyed cooking, laundry, dancing, playing softball, car rides, and trips to the casino. She found great comfort in helping the sick, and attending bedside vigils with her Bestie and sister

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Roberta "Dot" Young  
Yenunya'kwa:tha



# Oneida Nation High School THUNDERHAWK TIMES



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## School Calendar

By Skye Morin

With a lot of snow falling lately, June may seem like a long way off. It isn't. Our long-awaited Spring Break is set for next week, March 20-24.

When ONHS staff and students return, we are nearly into the last two full months of school and the school calendar is filled with many important dates.

April 7-10 – Good Friday/Trade Off Day, No School

April 27 – Mid-Quarter

May 11-12 – Culture Days

May 26-29 – Oneida Code Talkers Day/Memorial Day, No School

June 1 – Last Day of 4th Quarter and School Year for Students

June 2 – Teacher Work Day

With graduation just around the corner, seniors know better than anyone that the spring will race by.

**Staff Contributors:  
Thunderhawk Times Staff –  
Semester 2, 2022-2023**

Ever Acosta, Mariah Cloud, Leland Cutbank, Zoe Doxtator Dustin Elm Jr., James Hill, Cylie Vance King, Skye Morin, Raylee Polanco, Lydia Stevens, Mikael Thayer, Advisor: Denis Gullickson

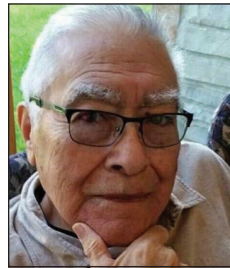
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Roberta "Dot" Young Yenunya'kwa:tha

Lois (Donna) Franklin. Best of all she loved to bring people together, especially for important life celebrations. She was preceded by her parents Irene and Washington Webster, her brothers Clarence Webster, Eli Webster, Eugene Webster, Lou Webster, and Louis Webster and her sisters Bertha Webster, Eleanor Barnes, and Regina Webster. Her son by marriage Steven Gaines, and granddaughter Sophia Rose Villa.

Visitation will begin Sunday, February 19, 2023, starting at 10AM at Dot's daughters home 814 Howard Street, Green Bay, 54303, a Rosary service will be held on Sunday at 6PM. Visitation will continue through Monday, February 20th at the house. A service will begin at 5PM on Monday. On Tuesday, February 21, 2023, visitation will continue at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Oneida (145 St. Joseph Dr. Oneida, WI) at 10:00AM until 11:00AM. Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 11am. Please visit [www.ryanfh.com](http://www.ryanfh.com) to send the family an online condolence.

**HUSTON V. WHEELOCK  
December 16, 1931 - February 23, 2023**



Huston V. Wheelock, 91, Oneida, passed away surrounded by his family on Thursday, February 23, 2023. Huston served his country in Korea, proud U.S. Marine. After returning from service, he married the love of his life, Charlene Hawpetoss.

A proud member of Local 200 of the Teamsters, he works at CW Transport for 30 years.

A lover of the outdoors, Huston enjoyed fishing, boating, picking mushrooms, strawberries. And blueberries. Camping with family and going for rides were things he enjoyed. A friend to all, Huston always had an ear to listen and a story to share (With a little BS mixed in). He loved going to Pow Wow's, especially when he led the veterans in carrying the colors.

He is survived by his children; Mark Denning, Valicia "Lisa" (Rick) Vega, and Vanita "Vanny" Wheelock. His grandchildren; Ahsan Vega, Kemewan

Wheelock, Sapatis Menomin, Mesaen Wheelock, Neset Vega, Be-Wab-bec Menomin, and his 13 great grandchildren. His sister Erma Denny, brother Eldon Wheelock and numerous nieces and nephews also survive him.

Huston was preceded in death by his parents, wife Charlene, his children; Huston Vallee Wheelock Jr., Valleen E. Menomin, Vanessa Wheelock, and his sister Jeanette Polk.

Friends may call after 9am Tuesday, February 28th at Ryan Funeral Home 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere, until time of service at 12pm. Veterans service will follow with burial to take place at 1:30pm at Oneida Methodist Cemetery. Live Stream of the service will take place at [www.ryanfh.com](http://www.ryanfh.com). Special thanks to the entire staff at Anna John Nursing Home, Huston loved you all.

Obituaries received after the 3rd Thursday of the month will be published in the following month's edition.





## Oneida Spring Turkey Permits

**Oneida Spring Turkey Season** begins Saturday, April 1, 2023 and ends Sunday, May 28, 2023.

Spring bag limit is 2 birds, 1 Tom/Jake and 1 Hen, per set. You may purchase up to 2 sets, per sportsman. The registration process has changed to phone in or e-mail, only.

Permits must be purchased by mailing or dropping off the application and payment to Oneida Conservation. Once the application and payment are received, the permit(s) will be mailed to you.

**Payment options: Cash will not be accepted. Cash payments will be returned to Sportsman.**

• Oneida Gift Card • Check or Money Order - make payable to Oneida Conservation Department

### Mail application and payment:

Oneida Conservation Department • P.O. Box 365 • Oneida, WI 54155

**Drop the application and payment off, in the designated mailbox, outside of the front doors at:**  
470 Airport Dr. • Oneida, WI 54155

Sportsman must have a valid 2022-2023 Sportsman license. Please check the back of your Tribal ID or Spousal/Descendant ID, for an orange sticker that reads 2022-2023. If you do not have an orange sticker, you must purchase a Sportsman license, in addition to, a turkey permit.

Spring Turkey Permit: (Purchase up to 2 sets, per sportsman)

**Fees:** Spring Turkey Permits: (Purchase up to 2 sets, per sportsman)

- \$5 per set - Enrolled Member
- Free Enrolled Elder
- \$10 per set - Spouse/Descendant/ Other Affiliation/Non-Oneida Sportsman

### Phone or Email Registration:

Conservation Department at  
920.869.6500

conservation\_department@  
oneidanation.org or  
bbrunett@oneidanation.org

Scan or Click the QR  
Code to Download and  
Print Your Oneida  
Spring Turkey Permit  
Application PDF



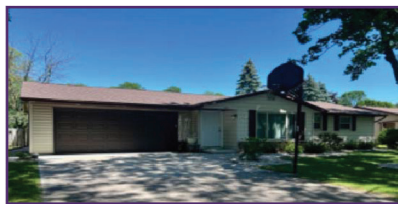
**3090 Sundance Ave,  
Green Bay, WI 54313**

**FOR SALE  
BY OWNERS**

3 Bedrooms  
2 Bathrooms  
2 Stall Garage

### HOME FEATURES

- 1096 sq. ft, ranch
- 2 bedrooms on main level
- New lighting, new doors
- Main level laundry-washer and dryer
- Luxury vinyl plank flooring
- Storm windows/patio with lifetime warranty
- Newer roof, furnace, AC, water heater
- Finished basement, egress window, 3/4 bath
- Large patio, landscaping, fenced back yard
- All appliances included



ASKING PRICE  
**\$289,000**

FOR MORE  
INFORMATION  
CONTACT:



Joseph Spencer  
608.628.4111

**Land Status:** Tribal Fee  
**Lot Approx:** 95x95

Purchasers are subject to Residential Lease with the Oneida Nation. Purchaser must be enrolled with the Oneida Nation. The Oneida Nation Comprehensive Housing Division is not responsible for the content of this advertisement. All information provided in this advertisement is provided solely by the Home Owner.

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**Tsi nu téshakotiya?tolétha?**

**TRIAL COURT**

Payment can be made either in person at the  
**Oneida Trial Court located at**  
**2630 West Mason Street, Green Bay, WI 54303;**  
**or by mailing said payment to**  
**Oneida Tribal Court P.O. Box 19, Oneida, WI 54155**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO GARNISH**

**Oneida entity owed a debt:**  
**ONEIDA TRIAL COURT**  
**Debtor's Name: Nicholas Schoen**

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# Doxtator Forms Maple Syrup Cooperative



**By Garth Webster**  
*Creative Services-Kalihwisaks*

The Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS), through a grant from the University of Wisconsin Partnership Program, is organizing community-based teams of volunteers to reaffirm food sovereignty within the Oneida Nation.

Shown here, Arlie Doxtator, Community Outreach Coordinator, is educating anyone willing to help with the Maple Syrup Camp on Adam Drive in Oneida. Also shown are volunteers enjoying each others company while tapping trees, as well as new evaporator equipment.

Doxtator, who began the camp in early February, was forced to pause work because inclement weather, is enthusiastically reorganizing the volunteers to continue working.



## SAVE THE DATES

**ONEIDA COMMUNITY LIBRARY**  
**Saturday, April 15, 2023**

**GREEN EARTH BRANCH LIBRARY**  
**Wednesday, April 26, 2023**



Updates on our Events Page  
[oneida-nsn.gov/library](http://oneida-nsn.gov/library)



# Meet Kahhori, The Newest Super Hero in Marvel Studios' 'What If...?'

By Marvel.com



Marvel Studios' animated anthology streaming series *What If?* flips the script on the Marvel Cinematic Universe, re-imagining famous events from the films in unexpected ways and creating a multiverse of infinite possibilities. Those possibilities continue to expand in the second season, as Marvel Studios introduces new stories, and new Super Heroes, to the MCU. We are excited to share a look at one of those new characters: the all-new Marvel Super Hero Kahhori.

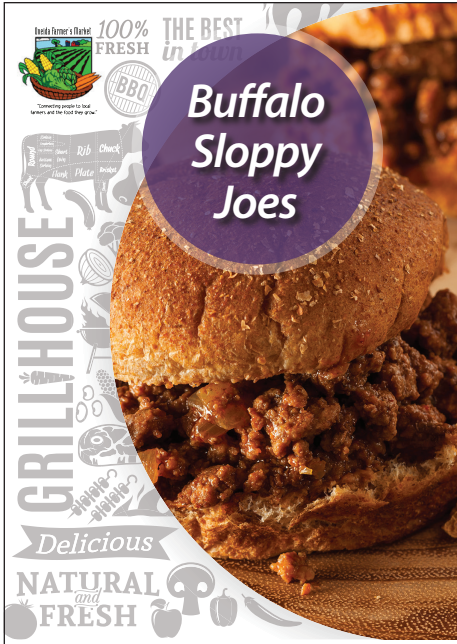
*What If...?* asks what would happen if the Tesseract fell to Earth and landed in the sovereign Haudenosaunee Confederacy before the colonization of America.

The Tesseract takes on a new life and a new mythology, transforming a lake into a gateway to the stars and leading Kahhori, a young Mohawk woman, on a quest to discover her power.

Written by Ryan Little (*What If...?*), the episode was created in close collaboration with members of the Mohawk Nation like historian Doug George and Mohawk language expert Cecelia King to ensure cultural authenticity. The episode takes place in the Mohawk language and is informed by the history of the Akwesasne region in what is now upstate New York.



Click or Scan the QR Code to view the rest of the article.




### Ingredients

- 2 tsp olive oil
- 1 onion, diced fine
- 2 lbs ground buffalo
- 2 tsp black pepper
- 2 tsp cumin
- 2 tsp mustard
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp chili powder
- 2 tbsp brown sugar
- 1 tbsp garlic, chopped
- ¾ cup ketchup
- ¾ cup water
- hamburger buns


### Directions

- 1 In heavy skillet over medium high heat, heat oil.
- 2 Add chopped onion and sauté for 4 min.
- 3 Crumble ground buffalo into pan, stirring together and breaking into smaller pieces. Add spices while meat is browning and stir in.
- 4 When the meat is browned, add ketchup and water, stir to incorporate and let come to full heat.
- 5 Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve on hamburger buns or smaller slider size buns.



CALLING ALL YOUNG

# Artists



The Bicentennial Team is seeking young artists to create Oneida 200 Year themed artwork that honors our past, present, and future.

All mediums are eligible. Artist must be between the ages of 13 and 18. Deadline: Monday, May 1, 2023.

Email photos of artwork to [kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org](mailto:kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org). Include age, name, phone number, and school with submission. The prize for best piece is TBD.



# Helping Aspiro Overcome Devastating Fire



Photo Courtesy of Michelle Danforth-Anderson

Olivia McDaniel from Aspiro, Inc., shown here with her clients at the Neville Public Museum, utilized a ride to and from the Neville Public Museum, courtesy of Oneida Big Bear Media.



By Garth Webster

*Creative Services-Kalihwisaks*

A February 2023 fire caused an estimated \$500,000 in damage (only 20% of which is covered by insurance) to five of Aspiro's buses, which are used to transport people with disabilities to their workplace or to locations where they volunteer.

Aspiro, Inc. is local non-profit whose mission is to create opportunities for people experiencing disabilities to live their lives by reaching their goals, connecting to their community, and achieving their independence.

Since the fire, the community, including local radio and television stations are building awareness to help Aspiro's fundraising campaign to purchase new vehicles. Big Bear Media, led by Director, Michelle Danforth-Anderson, provided rides to Aspiro's clients to the Neville Museum on March 1, 2023. If you'd like to help, go to the Aspiro website, [AspiroInc.org](http://AspiroInc.org), to donate.



**November  
10 & 11, 2023\***

Radisson Hotel & Conference  
Center-Green Bay, WI

2023  
THEME

*Honoring our Veterans-  
Past, Present and Future*



*Save  
the  
Date*

Last year's show featured 25 artists, live entertainment, and three fashion shows by participants from all across Turtle Island. This year's show promises to be even better. Mark your calendars now. It's a can't-miss event!

\*FOR ARTISTS: Booth setups and competition registration takes place on Thur., Nov. 9, from Noon-4pm. For more information, follow Woodland Indian Art on Facebook, bookmark our website [WoodlandIndianArt.com](http://WoodlandIndianArt.com), or email [info@woodlandindianart.com](mailto:info@woodlandindianart.com).



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Honoring  
our Past,  
Present, and  
our Future



Photo Courtesy of Gordon McLester Collection

Mary Ann Bread, 1815. A handwritten caption from the back of the photo.

This the old woman of the tribe, she was born at Oneida, NY and moved to Wisconsin in 1829 when she was about 14 years of age. For a number of years, she was the family nanny among many of the white families in Green Bay and De Pere. From the very beginning of the hospital building, a room was promised for her to occupy during her old age, as she has no home of her own. She is happy most in her pleasant surroundings at the hospital. During

the summer months she goes away on little visits to her white friends but is always glad to get back to the hospital. Mary Ann is closely connected with the church work. For many years she was the interpreter at the sewing guild and in various ways was a help to the missionary. She is not able to get to church very often by reason of her blindness and increasing infirmities, but she makes her communion weekly in the little white chapel of the hospital.