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Oneida Artists Collaborate on OSCAR DESIGN

By Mia Charnon

Creative Services/Kalihwisaks



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Lily Gladstone continued to make history at the 96th Academy Awards (AA) by becoming the first Indigenous woman to receive a Best Actress nomination for her role as Mollie Burkhart in the Martin Scorsese film, *Killers of the Flower Moon*. At the AA festivities, Gladstone wore a stunning gown that will forever link this event to some talented Indigenous artists, including Joe Big Mountain, who was featured in the November 2023 edition.

Big Mountain's connection to Gladstone began when she wore his quillwork in a photo shoot for *British Vogue Magazine*. This connection continued recently when Gucci's Creative Director Sabato De Sarno formed a groundbreaking collaboration with Big Mountain, as well as other Indigenous artists, to design a custom midnight-blue velvet gown that paid homage to Gladstone's Blackfeet heritage. The gown featured a strapless silhouette and a matching cape adorned with floral quillwork petals, symbolizing the enduring beauty of Indigenous artistry passed down through generations. This remarkable moment marked the first time a high-fashion luxury label collaborated with an Indigenous artist on an Oscars design, celebrating both creativity and cultural heritage.

"I can literally feel the love poured into each quill and bead—the dress is alive with it," says Lily Gladstone.

Gladstone intentionally infused her Oscar look with Indigenous motifs, as she believes this historic moment should be shared

by Natives everywhere. The choice of quillwork holds immense cultural significance across many Nations, including the Blackfeet. For her, it's a personal connection—she grew up admiring quillwork

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BUSINESS COMMITTEE FORUM



By Jameson Wilson

Oneida Business Committee Councilman

Shekoli khale hoyan (Hello and happy new year)! I would like to send my well wishes to all our Oneida relatives near and far and hope that 2024 is a prosperous year for you and your family. In January, our community put through Tsha[?]tekohsélha[?] (saw-deh-go-sail-ha) our Midwinter ceremony where we were once again fortunate to renew our responsibilities as Ukwehuwe (the real/original people) for another cycle. Seeing this is my first Oneida Business Committee (OBC) forum in the Kalihwisaks, it's important that I extend my heartfelt gratitude and deep appreciation to the Oneida community for believing in my ability to serve as councilman and represent our Nation for the 2023-2026 term. Yaw[^]ko ki wah (thank you very much)!

During the campaign, I had two major strategies that I worked on that continue to guide me in my new role as a councilman. My vision for Oneida is: "Rebuilding our Nation together with compassion, kindness, empathy and optimism." The five (5) priorities that I will focus on during this term are:

- Mental Health & Wellbeing
- Technology
- Energy
- Community and Economic Development and Diversification
- Housing

The other strategy that guided my campaign was Native Nation Building. My goal was to gain a deeper

understanding of how this approach could positively transform the governing structure of our Nation to reflect our traditional Haudenosaunee governance system. Native Nation Building is an extensively detailed concept that can be explained as a process by which a Tribal Nation strengthens its own capacity for effective and culturally relevant self-government and sustainable community development. The OBC kicked-off the 2023-2026 term with a week's worth of Nation Building which provided an overarching theme for the development of the OBC's Strategic Plan.

As an OBC councilman, I serve as a member of the Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) and was elected by my fellow councilmembers to serve as chairman of the LOC, which is a responsibility that I hold in high regard. One of the LOC's goals is to enhance community engagement to spur more participation in the lawmaking process. Thus far, we have hosted two community meetings where we gathered feedback and suggested solutions that may help strengthen the Nation's laws, policies, codes and ordinances.

As I continue to serve the Nation, the priorities I campaigned with are well intact. I am committed to serving the Nation with compassion, kindness, empathy, and optimism.



◀ Councilman Wilson attended the Regional Tribal Operations Committee (RTOC) Meeting at Oneida Hotel and provided the Kanahelatuksla - (What's used to extend greetings and thankfulness for the attendees. Many were from the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Councilman Wilson serves as liaison to RTOC.

Councilman Wilson reading ▶ the book, *Turtles Race with Beaver*, for story time at Oneida Community Library



◀ Councilman Kirby Metoxen, Dan Webster, Tana Aguirre, Councilman Jameson Wilson, Councilman Jonas Hill, Chairman Tehassi Hill and Councilman Marlon Skenandore attending the 2024 State of the Tribes Address in Madison, WI in February 2024.

OCHD Introduces Two Exceptional Leaders



Meet Dr. Karen Lane, the Oneida Comprehensive Health Division's (OCHD) new Medical Director. Dr. Lane brings with her over 25 years of pediatric experience. She graduated from Michigan State University – College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1995 and has been certified by the American Board of Pediatrics since 1998. Dr. Lane is spearheading the implementation of team-based care at OCHD, a patient-centered model where dedicated health care providers address individual needs.

Dennis Reckelberg is the new OCHD Pharmacy Director, holds a Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Wisconsin – Madison. His commitment to community care is evident through his years of service as a Big Brother with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Wisconsin. Dennis' connection to the Oneida community makes him a valuable addition to our team.

Debra Danforth, Director of Operations, expresses gratitude for the experienced and compassionate leadership joining OCHD, "Our new additions are excited to incorporate new approaches to providing the highest quality care for the Oneida community."



More OCHD Leaders-The hiring didn't stop with Dr. Lane and Dennis. OCHD also hired Ana Nikolova, Seth Moore, Lauren Cornette, Maria Boeck, and Paige Dworak.



Ana Nikolova
DDS, MS

Seth Moore
APNP

Lauren Cornette
APNP

Maria Boeck
RDN, CD, CDES

Paige Dworak
MPH

Click or Scan the QR Code to view new OCHD staff backgrounds





**Introducing Oneida's
NEWEST CFO
Ralinda Ninham-Lamberies**

“ I look forward to collaborating with Treasurer Larry Barton to promote financial accountability with my fiscally conservative nature. ”

Ralinda Ninham-Lamberies

Submitted by Ralinda Ninham-Lamberies
Oneida Nation Chief Financial Officer

Shekoli Swakweku. I am deeply humbled and honored to have been selected as the first female CFO for the Oneida Nation. I have 32 years of governmental accounting experience with the Oneida Nation and Shawano County. I have held positions in payroll, purchasing, travel, budget, accounting, and most recently as the Nation's Assistant Chief Financial Officer for the past 13 years.

These are a few of my career accomplishments:

- Implementing accounting and timekeeping systems
- Implementing an inventory system
- Acquisition, re-negotiating, and compliance for both financial institution debt and bond debt
- Drafting a General Welfare Assistance law that was used as the template for Oneida Nation
- Providing guidance and the debt extinguishment plan for \$93.6 million of debt
- Providing financial guidance to help build cash from \$60.3 million in 2008 to \$368.7 million in January 2024
- Building the equity (value) of the Nation from \$412 million in 2008 to \$1.296 billion in January 2024
- Helped guide the government through the Great Recession of 2008 and the COVID-19 Pandemic shutdown

During my career I have been so lucky to have wonderful mentors in Diane Rusch, Tina Danforth, and Larry Barton.

I have an Associate of Applied Science in Accounting from NWTC, a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Accounting from Silver Lake College, and a Master of Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting from Lakeland College. I am currently working towards a Doctoral Degree in Business Administration with an

emphasis in Advanced Accounting from Northcentral University. I am a licensed Wisconsin Certified Public Accountant and a credential Plan Sponsor Professional with the Plan Sponsor Council of America. I have Tribal specific certificates from Harvard Business School and Arizona State University.

I look forward to collaborating with Treasurer Barton to promote financial accountability with my fiscally conservative nature. Honest, open, and transparent communication with the Treasurer, Oneida Business Committee, management, employees, community, and members is essential to me. The needs for the Nation are often greater than the resources available to meet these needs. Because of this, some important decisions face the Nation in the near future. My goal is to provide sound financial information and guidance, in an understandable format, to allow leadership and the members to make a decision that is best for all parties involved. I am committed to balancing the needs of the membership, front-line employees, and the government to support the financial sustainability of the Nation for the next Seven Generations.

In my spare time I enjoy fishing, running, biking, and spending time with my family. My husband Jeff and I have been married for 31 years and we have an adult son Jeffery, 32 and an adult daughter Leslie, 29. We also have two dogs and two furry grandchildren (my children's dogs).

I can be reached at rlamberi@oneidanation.org or 920.869.4242. My office is on the 3rd floor Norbert Hill Center. My door is always open to answer questions or to discuss the Nation's financial issues that are important to you.

North American Indigenous Athletics HALL OF FAME INDUCTIONS



Photo Courtesy Dennis King of D.King of Images

The 2024 North American Indigenous Athletics Hall of Fame Inductees, as well as some individuals inducted in previous years, pose for a group photo outside the entrance of the Oneida Hotel on Saturday, March 16, 2024. For more pictures, see page 19.

By Garth Webster

Kalihwisaks/Creative Services

Dan Ninham and wife Susan organized and hosted the North American Indigenous Athletics Hall of Fame (NAIAHF) Inductions March 15 & 16, 2024 at the Norbert Hill Center (NHC) and Oneida Hotel to recognize the talent and contributions of Indigenous individuals in the world of sports.

The activities began Friday, March 15 with a Social Dance in the NHC Cafeteria. Many community members, Oneida students, and some NAIAHF Inductees, came together to enjoy song and dance, as well as each other's company. Shortly after, the pace quickened with a Traditional Lacrosse game on the southwest lawn of NHC. Players delighted the crowd with great Lacrosse action while the players enjoyed a sunny 55 degree afternoon. This brought the days activities to a close until early Saturday morning.

Anthony Fleg, coming all the way from New Mexico via an invitation from Ninham, led a contingent of runners and walkers at 6:30am, heading east around the Oneida Hotel/Casino Complex to meet the sunrise to acknowledge the eldest brother, the Sun, and to give thanks for a new day. After, Artley Skenandore smudged everyone as he provided good words to participants to continue on with the day, encouraging each other to form good relationships.

The banquet doors opened at 9am where attendees greeted one another as they enjoyed beverages as Dan

and Susan welcomed the Buffalo Creek Singers to provide an honor song to open the activities.

One after the other, the audience applauded each inductee, or inductee representative, as they were introduced, given a certificate and gift, and posed for a photograph. By this time, most had built up an appetite, especially those from the morning run/walk.

A delicious lunch was served from Noon-1pm by the Oneida Hotel as Menominee Nation member and musician, Wade Fernandez, entertained everyone with his pleasing music. After lunch, the audience was treated to a meet and greet. Many of the inductees delivered valuable insights they've learned on their journey as athletes and coaches. Hard work, determination, perseverance, and their unique responsibilities as Indigenous Athletes were common messages from each presenter.

As the activities came to a close, the audience was given a send-off by the Oneida Smoke Dancers, as well as a travel song by the Buffalo Creek Singers. The general feeling in the crowd was one of gratefulness for both fellow inductees, the coordination of the event from Dan and Susan, and with a sense of anticipation for next year's induction ceremonies. Watch NAIAHF.org for details..

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North American Indigenous Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony



March 6, 2024 Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) Community Meeting: Council Members Jameson Wilson, Kirby Metoxen, Jennifer Webster, Marlon Skenandore, and Jonas Hill continued their effort to engage Oneida Members by holding another (LOC) Community Meeting in the Norbert Hill Center Cafeteria. Each meeting, which are held quarterly to gather community input regarding the development or amendment of Oneida Nation laws, begins with a brief overview of the legislative process. The March 6 meeting topics were the Oneida Personnel Policies and Procedures, Sanctions and Penalty Law, and the Eviction and Termination Law. Community meeting attendees, including General Manager Mark Powless shown here, offered valuable insights to help make Oneida Nation laws more clear, concise, and to reflect the best of interest of everyone involved. As an extension of the March 6 Community Meeting, the LOC will be holding a Community Work Session regarding the Eviction and Termination Law on Tuesday, April 2, Noon-1:30pm, at the Norbert Hill Center Business Committee Conference Room. See the ad below for more details.



LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE

COMMUNITY WORK SESSION

TUESDAY, APRIL 2
 12PM – 1:30PM
 NORBERT HILL CENTER
 BUSINESS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE ROOM
 N7210 Seminary Rd, Oneida, WI 54155

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Please join the Legislative Operating Committee for a community work session to review the current Eviction and Termination Law and collect input regarding potential amendments to the law.

Register at LOC@oneidanation.org for a Teams invite.
 Bring your own lunch.

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LEGISLATIVE OPERATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS



Jameson Wilson
LOC Chairman



Kirby Metoxen
LOC Vice Chairman



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By Mia Charnon

Kalihwisaks/Creative Services

On March 1, 2024, the Maple Sugar Camp at Oneida Nation Elementary School commenced with Wáhta Kayu kwa tho – Maple Tree Tobacco Burning led by Randy Cornelius. Afterward, students engaged in maple sugar tapping while learning proper techniques and savoring delicious samples.

As told to Randy Cornelius

Edited by Judith Jourdan

Oneida Cultural Heritage Department

This ceremony is held at the end of February or first part of March, after the first thunder which wakes up the trees. It all depends on the weather. When the warm winds once again begin to circulate, a day is set aside to give

thanks. A tobacco burning is done to honor the maple tree. Each camp in the community will have their own tobacco burning. A small fire is built near a maple tree. The words in the tobacco burning ask all of creation for a safe time while the people are in the woods working, thus calling on the Creator to assure that no great harm comes to those harvesting the sap. All of creation is acknowledged. Then the people can go and set up their sugar camps. Otsyi khé. ta Twanehelatú (Maple Tree Thanksgiving -Closing) Once the camps are all done harvesting the sap, and everything is cleaned up, a day is picked by the faithkeepers to give thanks for what people have been able to harvest. At this time, the sap is used as medicine for everyone to drink and give thanks. Two Great Feather Dances are done to honor the maple tree and for Creation's cooperation during the harvesting of the sap.

Harlow Skenandore, the daughter of Clyde Skenandore and Alex Powless, is 1st Team All-Conference in the Fox River Classic Conference (FRCC). At 145 lbs, Skenandore is also the FRCC Wrestler of the Year.

Going into the state tournament, Skenandore was seeded #8 and was dealing with torn ligaments and muscles in her hands. The night before, she decided to give it a go, eventually beating Turner Junior Sydney Andrews 5-1, becoming the first athlete from Pulaski to win a girls state wrestling championship. "It was awesome. I don't know how to put into words yet. It's still kind of hitting me now."

Watch out world. Harlow is just a freshman.

Story excerpt and photo
Scott Venci of the
Green Bay Press-Gazette



Ashlyn Wisneski, the daughter of Nate and Nicole Wisneski, plays for the Freedom Irish JV basketball team. This past 2023-2024 season, her team went 19-0. Ashlyn made the school record books hitting seven three-pointers in one game, in three separate games, and had a game high 27 points. Ashlyn's father, Nate, provided extra inspiration as the team's head coach this season. What a father-daughter duo!



Haley Rae Reed, the daughter of Billy and Michelle Reed, averaged 9.2 points per game along with 4.5 rebounds per game on her way to being named 1st Team All-Conference. As one of the captains of her Freedom Irish Varsity Basketball Team, she helped lead them to a sixth consecutive regional title. Unfortunately, their season ended in the sectional semi-final but nonetheless, congrats on a great season, Haley!



The Bay Navigators Special Olympic basketball team won against Door County and was handed another loss from Neenah on March 3, 2024 in recent regional play. Team and tribal members, **Hudson Francour, the son of Margaret King, Zander McLester and Ashton McLester, the sons of Kaylynn (McLester) Gresham**, contributed scoring and a strong defense to the team. In addition to overpowering Door County recently, they won games against Hopp Alumni and SOAR teams. They are coached by Margaret King and John Battiola. Before each game, the Special Olympic pledge is recited, "Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."

The Navigators are preparing for the next play-off at Sectionals March 17 in hopes of advancing to State Special Olympic competition. This is Hudson's third year of playing with the Bay Navigators. In his spare time, Hudson manages the boys Thunderhawk Basketball team as well as enjoying part-time employment with the Green Bay Packers.

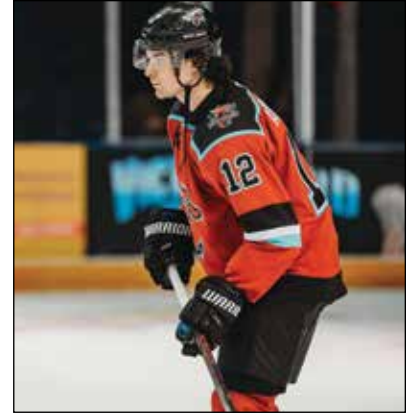


Osakwalha Cornelius, the son of Mae Cornelius and Christopher Cornelius, age 13 and 8th grade wrestler from Lombardi Middle School with Coach Dan George Skenandore and Oneida Wrestling Club with coaches Nick Metoxen and Bryce Elm. Overall record 24-4 with 11-3 in tournaments and 13-1 school matches. Osa is in his 3rd year wrestling. At press time, he was preparing to compete in the WI Wrestling Federation Kids Folkstyle State Championship March 22-24, 2024 at the Alliant Energy Center.



Hugh Anderson and Madison Anderson, the son and daughter of Neil Anderson and Michelle Danforth-Anderson, are a dynamic sibling duo making their mark in the hockey world. Hugh began his junior hockey career with the Stratford Warriors in Stratford, Ontario. He then joined the North American Hockey League in 2019 playing for the Topeka Pilots. In 2020, he transferred to Lawrence University in Appleton, WI where he would end his amateur status. He recently signed with the Columbus River Dragons, a minor professional team in Columbus, Georgia.

As a rookie defenseman, Hugh supported his team to clinch a playoff berth in Federal Prospects Hockey League.



Madison, a highly recruited high school forward from Culver Academy in Indiana, signed her letter of intent last fall 2023 to play for the Norwich University Cadets of the New England Hockey Conference in Vermont.

In Madison's freshman season, she helped lead the team to a successful 19 wins, 6 losses, and 2 ties while being named Third Team All-Conference. The Cadets skated their way into playoffs making it all the way to the semi-final game where they lost to the Northeastern Huskies from Boston, Massachusetts.



Katie Waukau, the daughter of Bridgit Martin and the late Wade Waukau, is an Oneida/Menominee basketball player playing for the University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse after graduating from West De Pere in 2023.

NDNSports.com reported in February 2024 that Waukau was the 2024 Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Women's Basketball Newcomer of the Year. Waukau ranked third in the conference with a 0.366 three-point field goal percentage and 53 three-pointers made. She was fifth on the team with 7.5 points per game with a season high 15 points against UW-Stevens Point on February 3, 2024.

Margie Stevens, the daughter of Margaret and Mirac Ellis, graduated from Green Bay Southwest High School in 2023 before beginning her basketball career with the Wisconsin Lutheran College Warriors (WLC).

In her freshman campaign, the six-foot, one inch Stevens, from her forward position, racked up quite a list of accolades, including First Team All-Northern Athletics Collegiate Conference (NACC), NACC All-Tournament Team, and NACC Student-Athlete of the Week for January 15-21, 2024.

She helped lead the Warriors to an overall 23-5 season, including 66-42 victory over number 2 seed St. Norbert College capturing WLC's 12th NACC title before losing in a tight battle, 65-72 to the Wartburg Knights from Waverly, Iowa in the NCAA Division III Championship Tournament.



KEEPERS OF THE EARTH-PART I

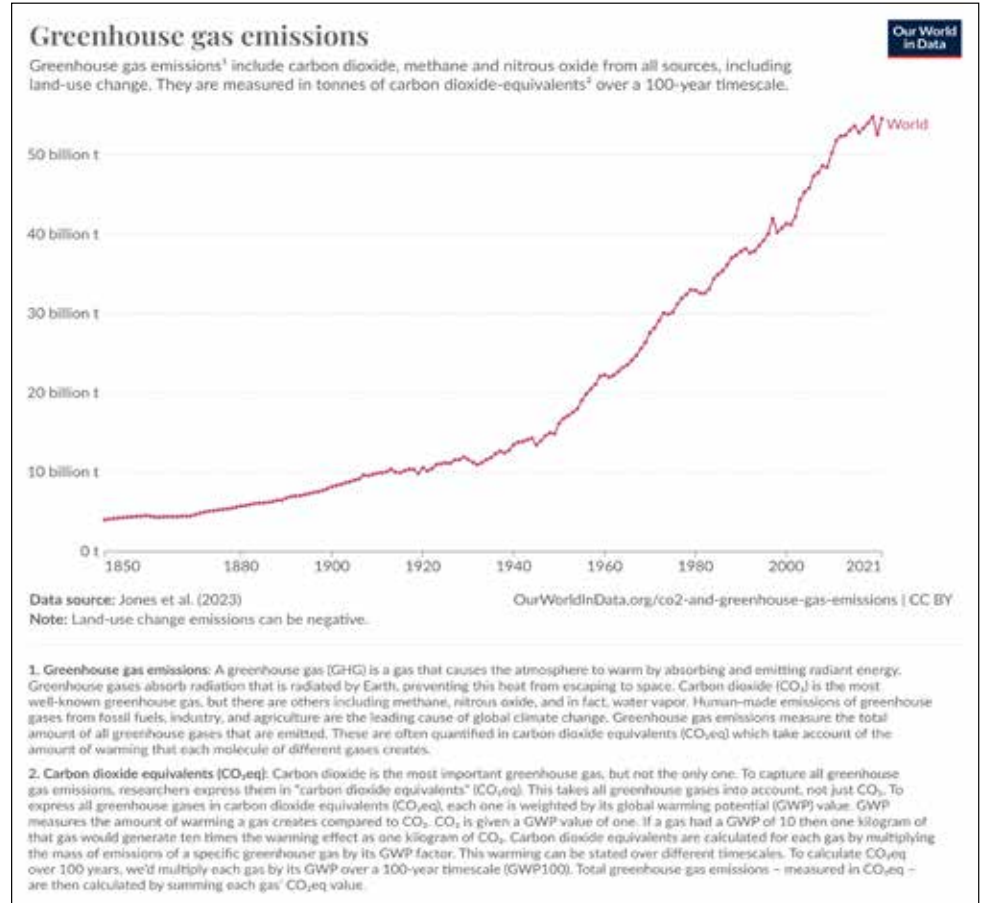
Our Carbon Footprint

By Garth Webster, Kalihwisaks/Creative Services

If you ask anyone living in the Northeast Wisconsin (NEW) area about this 2023-2024 Winter season, the common answer would be, "Warm." According to WeAreGreenBay.com, NEW has seen seven record-high temperatures set since December 24, 2023, including a 70-degree day as recently as February 27, 2024. To gain a better understanding of this, it's important to be aware of what most scientists believe is the primary driver of these record-high temperatures.

OurWorldData.org states CO₂ and other greenhouse gases (GHG) like methane and nitrous oxide that are emitted when we burn fossil fuels to produce materials like steel, cement, and plastics have dramatically increased. The graph to the right illustrates the increase in GHG emitted around the world since the industrial era, showing 4 billion tonnes in 1850 to 54.5 billion tonnes in 2021. GHG's cause temperatures to warm by absorbing and emitting radiant energy. They absorb radiation coming from the Earth and prevent heat from escaping into space. With this comes the strongly correlated rise in average temperatures.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) calculated that in pre-industrial years, the Earth's average surface temperature was about 56.62 degrees Fahrenheit (F). Since then, Earth's temperatures have continued to rise 0.11° F since 1850. However, since 1982, this rate tripled to 0.36° F per decade, with 2023 being the warmest year since records began, averaging 58.74° F. This 2.12 increase may seem small, but because of the vast complexity of Earth's systems, the amount of energy to increase global temperatures by this much are



massive, leading to climate-related challenges the likes of which none of us, including us here in NEW, and Oneida, have ever seen before.

Some may argue, "We're in an El Nino weather pattern this year." This occurrence happens when the equatorial Pacific becomes warmer than average and easterly winds blow weaker than normal, pushing warmer weather patterns over the United States. However, even this weather phenomenon, which was once thought to be caused by natural cycles, is now linked to human activity. Although January 2024 brought some colder temperatures and two snowstorms, this was quickly offset by increased February 2024 temperatures. Winter activities in

Wisconsin were all but non-existent, such as snowmobiling, skiing (except for man-made-snow-making), ice fishing, etc. In fact, Governor Evers released grants to help economically struggling businesses that have suffered through the 2023-24 Winter season.

Councilman Jameson Wilson attended the 6th Annual Seminole Tribe of Florida Renewable Energy & Sustainability Conference and the Tribal Clean Energy Summit in Temecula, California, both of which occurred in February 2024. Watch for future articles that will explore clean energy initiatives for Oneida in future articles for this *Keepers of the Earth* series.



Photos Courtesy of Garth Webster

The Wetland Field Trip Leaders were Tony Kuchma, Oneida Nation; Erin Giese, UW-Green Bay; Nicholas Kintopf, Robert E. Lee, Inc; and Lisa Lumley, Wisconsin Department of Transportation. To right: Tony Kuchma looks on as the tour participants learn more about Oneida Wetlands.

Submitted by Tony Kuchma
EHSLA Quality Project Manager

The Oneida Nation hosted and presented at the 29th Annual Wisconsin Wetlands Association (WWA) conference held on February 20-22, 2024 at the Oneida Hotel. More than 350 attendees gathered under the theme “Great Wetlands Make Great Waters” to engage and share valuable insights surrounding wetland research and restoration. The conference also offered a field trip opportunity that highlighted the many partnerships that help make the Oneida Nation's conservation efforts possible. At the 80-acre WisDOT wetland mitigation bank, participants learned about the regulatory requirements and management of the site that make it a very high-quality wetland as it serves to replace the wetland habitat that was lost with local DOT road projects. In 2025, ownership will transfer to the Oneida Nation who will oversee managing and maintaining the project. The second stop

was at the 420-acre prairie and wetland habitat project located at a headwater tributary of Trout Creek, land which was reacquired by the Oneida Nation from the State of Wisconsin. It serves as an important breeding ground for grassland and marsh bird species as it is the largest, high quality native prairie grassland in northeast Wisconsin.



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Debra Morningstar Westenberger Shines Bright

Excerpts from Trout Museum's description of the Illuminating Women Exhibit. Learn more about Morningstar Westenberger at TroutMuseum.org/TMA-Educators

By Garth Webster, *Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

Debra Morningstar Westenberger, Oneida Member, storyteller, artist, educator, entrepreneur, and basket-maker, a legacy she continues from her great grandparents Cassie & Daniel Denny. Debra was honored Friday, February 23, 2024 at the Trout Museum of Art in Appleton, WI as one of 30 Illuminating Women living in the Appleton area.

Juliane Troicki and Laura Schneider collaborated to create the Illuminating Women Exhibit, which features the stories of 30 women in a black and white photo, (Schneider), accompanied by a biographical narrative (Troicki).

The first part of Troicki's narrative reads, "Debra Morningstar is an Oneida Citizen, Native American storyteller, and artist. She did not know of her Native heritage until she was fourteen years old. Debra has since studied Oneida culture and community with great enthusiasm. Her Native identity was the piece missing from her life. She continues to draw strength from her true Spiritual self. During her adventurous Earth Walk, she has been a model, a savvy marketer and an owner of a modeling agency. She was a social worker and a celebrated Native keynote speaker and now teaches Native basket weaving. Debra is also proud mother of two boys and a grandmother. She draws inspiration from nature walks with her dogs and appreciates the Creator's world all around her."

Photo Courtesy of Garth Webster

Debra Morningstar Westenberger in front her photograph taken by Laura Schneider at the Trout Museum of Art for the unveiling of the Illuminating Women Exhibit. To the right is the first part of Troicki's narrative. To see the rest, you'll have visit the Trout Museum of Art in Appleton, WI.


 CLASS OF
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 CONGRATULATIONS
 ONEIDA HIGH SCHOOL
 GRADUATES
SENIOR PICTURES SUBMISSIONS
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024

Email photo and name of high school by end of day, Thursday, May 9, 2024 to Kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org.

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

RED BANKS NATIVE ART MARKET
FEATURING NATIVE AMERICAN ARTISTS AND ARTISANS
 Date of Market: Saturday, April 27th, 2024
 Market Open to Public: 10:00am-3:00pm
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ONEIDA FOOD PANTRY STAFF & VOLUNTEERS- The Secret Ingredient

By Garth Webster

Kalihwisaks/Creative Services

◀ Left to right: Nancy S., Lynn S., Shoa Ying M., Leon B., Gail G., Sherry J., Connie K., Eric B., Jim K., Tom F., Winona, Tina H.

Not Pictured: Ike J., Pam J., Scott T., Terry H., Dave Vander Zanden and our elder box volunteers.

Photo Courtesy of Garth Webster

The Oneida Emergency Food Pantry (OEFPP), located at N7372 Water Circle Place in Oneida, opened its doors in January 2017 to provide sustenance to Community members in need of emergency food help. Since then, OEFPP has grown to provide service to nearly 1,000 families.

Over the years, OEFPP has truly been a reflection of its vision, "An engaged community that alleviates emergency hunger together." Todd Hill, known to most as "Moon," has been working at OEFPP for 4 years and most recently,

took over as OEFPP Manager after the departure of former manager, Marlon Skenandore, who now serves as Councilman for the Oneida Nation. Since taking over, Moon proudly explains that the secret ingredient to their operations is the army of staff and volunteers that relentlessly ensure no one goes hungry, "I'm very proud of my staff; Sam, Shaleesa, and Patrick. They come into work every day with positive energies, positive thoughts. I'm also so thankful for the volunteers as they are very dedicated in helping

the pantry. We all work together to distribute foods to our people in need. Words are not enough to express how thankful I am for each of these people that walk into the pantry doors to help our community."

OEFPP operates 8am-4pm, Monday-Thursday, 8am-12pm Fridays, and has distribution days every Tuesday and Thursday, 11am-2pm. Learn more about how you can volunteer, receive assistance, or donate at:

Oneida-NSN.gov/Resources/Food-Pantry

From Cover
Oneida Artists Collaborate on Oscar Design



Photo Courtesy of Gucci

Sunshine Big Mountain, Sabato De Sarno, and Joe Big Mountain working on the Gucci collaboration design of Lily Gladstone's Academy Award Gown.

in various forms, from headdresses to regalia and she reminisced on the very first pair of earrings she bought that were crafted by Bob Tailfeathers, an artist from her hometown.

Joe and Sunshine Big Mountain, in collaboration with a talented team of Indigenous artists from the Oneida reservation in Wisconsin, painstakingly hand-quilled the velvet cape of the gown. Their intricate work resulted in 216 individual quilled petals for this remarkable project. Among the skilled artists were Kendrick Powless-Crouch, Jossalyn Metoxen, Seven Oshkabewisens, Dionne Jacobs, Paige Skenandore, and Aryien Stevens. Sunshine Big Mountain expressed how

this collaboration with Gucci holds immense significance for their family and community. "Being an Indigenous artist, showing our people the lengths they can reach is tremendous; This opportunity gave us dreams we didn't even know we had."



Photo Courtesy of Gucci

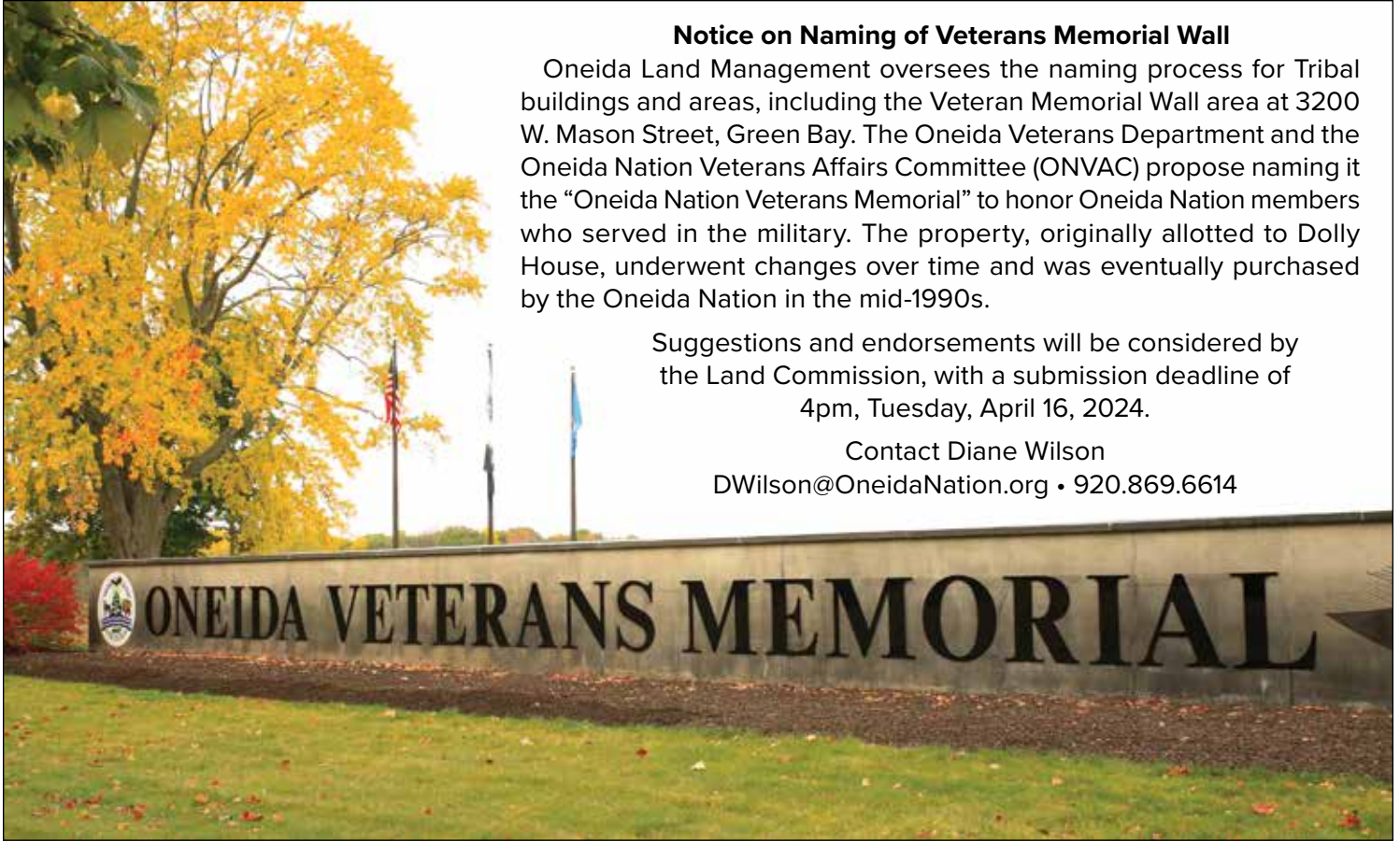
A sketch of Lily Gladstone's Oscars look.

Notice on Naming of Veterans Memorial Wall

Oneida Land Management oversees the naming process for Tribal buildings and areas, including the Veteran Memorial Wall area at 3200 W. Mason Street, Green Bay. The Oneida Veterans Department and the Oneida Nation Veterans Affairs Committee (ONVAC) propose naming it the "Oneida Nation Veterans Memorial" to honor Oneida Nation members who served in the military. The property, originally allotted to Dolly House, underwent changes over time and was eventually purchased by the Oneida Nation in the mid-1990s.

Suggestions and endorsements will be considered by the Land Commission, with a submission deadline of 4pm, Tuesday, April 16, 2024.

Contact Diane Wilson
DWilson@OneidaNation.org • 920.869.6614



Left to Right: Paula Christjohn, Kaylyn Gresham, Linda Davis, Ruth Wagner, Carmen Escamea, Cassandra Sherrod, and Terry Cornelius Doxtator.

The official attendance of the February 25, 2024 GTC meeting was 1,698. Both the Three Clans Ballroom and overflow room were full as the membership discussed the agenda topics, including a lengthy discussion regarding the Eviction and Termination Law.

During every GTC Meeting, there's always a deep sense of respect and gratitude when the Veterans open the proceedings. This moment was even more special this time as the Color Guard was comprised fully of our Women Warriors. The membership received flyers with the names of Women Vets which also requested the membership to submit names not listed on the flyer.

TRIBAL AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE SPECIALIST HIGHLIGHT



Submitted by Oneida Aging and Disability Services

Carol Bogda, the Tribal Aging and Disability Resource Specialist (ADRS), helps connect people to community services. Her goal is to enable individuals to stay in their own homes. Carol assists disabled individuals transitioning to adulthood and frail Elders of any age. The ADRS serves as the entry point for publicly funded long-term programs and is a valuable resource for connecting people with needed services.

Carol Bogda

Oneida Aging and Disability Services
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GLNAEA VISITS ONEIDA



Vice Chairman Brandon Yellowbird-Stevens and Councilwoman Jenny Webster welcomed the Great Lakes Native American Elders Association (GLNAEA) during their visit to Oneida on March 6-7, 2024, at the Oneida Hotel. Notably, all 11 Wisconsin Tribes were represented. The agenda featured an informative Alzheimer's presentation, a thought-provoking talk by guest speaker Mary Wyman, insightful GLNAEA board presentations and updates, and a delightful pie contest along with a 50/50 raffle. The next GLNAEA event is set for June 5-6, 2024, in Bad River.



ONEIDA ELDER ACTIVITIES

Submitted by Crystal Danforth

Elder Activity Specialist

Shekoli Swakweku,

My Name is Luwatiya'takenhas (She Helps Them) Crystal Danforth. I am from the Turtle Clan, and I am the New Elder Activity Specialist. My mission is to brighten that fire burning low in our Elders since the pandemic and get that connection back between our Elders and youth. All our activities are made to help with memory, exercise, health, and bring joy to each Elder.

Elder Activities:

- Elder Chair Volleyball
- Elder Corn Hole
- Painting & Crafts with Sue Mejeski from Oneida Adventures
- Elder Bingo
- Crafts with Crystal
- Youth and Elder painting

If you're interested in receiving a monthly schedule by mail, kindly contact me with your name and address. You'll also find the activity schedules conveniently available at

the main desk of the Anna John Nursing Home meal site, along with the sign-up sheets for each activity throughout the month.



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NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

Submitted by Oneida Community Comprehensive Health Division

During National Public Health Week, April 1-7, 2024, the Oneida Community Health Services Department is committed to your well-being. They offer a range of services to enhance your holistic health, including:

- RN chronic disease case management and long term care
- Home health services and medical transportation
- Alzheimer and dementia support
- Diabetes and stroke prevention services
- Wellness coaching
- Nutrition counseling, prenatal care, and breastfeeding support
- Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program
- Immunization clinics
- Communicable disease investigation
- School nursing



▲ Councilwoman Jennifer Webster, shown here utilizing the drive-thru immunization clinics.



▲ The Oneida Health & Wellness Expo was held January 25, 2024 featuring a variety of health topics from field experts on 3 panel discussions.



◀ Peer Breastfeeding Support can have many benefits for both Mom and baby. OCHD Staff are available to help provide guidance and reassurance to breastfeeding moms.

JUST MOVE IT ONEIDA

Spring
INTO ACTION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH 2024

4-6PM @ ONEIDA NATION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

N7125 SEMINARY RD, ONEIDA, WI 54155

FREE JMIO UMBRELLA TO THE FIRST 100 PARTICIPANTS.

WHITE CORN CHILI
(WHILE SUPPLIES LAST).

ATTEND 8 OF THE 12 JMIO EVENTS IN 2024 TO BE ENTERED IN THE GRAND PRIZE DRAWING AT THE END OF THE YEAR.

STEM CRAFT BROUGHT TO YOU BY UWGB CAMPS AND EINSTEIN PROJECT.

For more information or questions contact Hanna Leisgang:
920-490-3927 hleisgan@oneidanation.org @Justmoveit Oneida

Oneida Public Health

ON THE RISE MEASLES

Oneida Public Health would like to notify the public of the rising measles cases in the United States

The best way to prevent measles is to be vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

Learn more about Measles

Schedule your MMR
Contact your provider or Oneida Public Health
920.869.4840

Check vaccination status
Wisconsin Immunization Registry:



NEW ONLINE HEALTH PORTAL COMING SOON

Share your email today to automatically receive an invitation to register once the new portal launches.

Oneida Comprehensive Health Division is excited to unveil the new health portal, designed to enhance your healthcare journey. In this first phase, we're almost ready to launch.

With the new patient portal, you can:

- Access your medical information and seamlessly connect with your healthcare team.
- Securely correspond with your healthcare provider.
- Schedule appointments
- Retrieve test results.
- Enjoy the convenience of a mobile app for portal access.

How to register for the new patient portal:

• Existing portal users:

1. Log into the current portal
2. Click "Update your demographics" in left column.
3. Select the family member whose email address you'd like to update.
4. Enter your personal email address in both fields.
5. Click "Submit" at the bottom of the screen.

Visiting the clinic?

- Share your personal email address with the Patient Account Representative assisting you.

Stay tuned as the patient portal team continues to roll out new services. Thank you for your patience as we transition to the new improved portal. Remember to share your contact information with us.



ONEIDA

OCHD Medical Laboratory Services

What does this mean for you?

The new Laboratory System will improve our service to the providers and community as a whole. The other change will be the remodel of our lab space to improve our efficiency within the Laboratory. Initially, it may take us a little longer to process your lab orders as these changes are occurring.

These improvements will enable us to better serve YOU, by improving our services through the use of state-of-the-art technology to provide quality services while improving our efficiency within the Laboratory. We plan to minimize the impact to our patients but there may be delays.

Two new changes will be coming to the OCHD Laboratory Services in 2024!

- ✓ A NEW LABORATORY COMPUTER SYSTEM
- ✓ LAB REMODEL

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we implement these improvements.

Oneida Nation High School

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Articles



The Match

By Nelson Ninham

[Advisor's note: Nelson Ninham made ONHS, the Oneida Community, and his family proud when he wrestled valiantly at the sectionals. Here, Nelson takes us to that match which marked the end of a great season for him.]

That entire morning, I was thinking about my "game plan." I knew the person I was wrestling had about 50 matches of experience. My coach told me, "Relax and work my setups." As the whistle blew, my only thought was, "Let's go." From there, I got two takedowns from a fireman's and knee pick. Eventually, I made a dumb mistake and tried to rush a gator roll and got caught on my back. With that, the match was over, and I had lost. I was emotionally broken up a little. This final match against Coleman meant the most because I had lost to him twice and this match was mine to win. In the end, I learned patience was the most important thing to master.

Lifting

By Ari Mousseau

Don't look now, but there is a group of ONHS students working out in the weight room during the lunch period. They are pumping iron to get gains every day. Some of them bench while others do legs. Students can try to go for a personal record or just get their reps in. What? Teens not on their

phones and doing something physical during their free time? Yes, that's what's happening. Looking around the weight room, you would see students trying to reach their physical and fitness goals. Students like Kainan trying to hit PR's and Nelson getting a pump. Overall, I think that having the weight room available at lunch has many benefits. It helps people stay in shape and it's also good for mental health. I think more people should start working out for themselves and their health.

No More Snow Days

By Dulce Vidal-Rivera

It has not exactly been a winter with a lot of snow. In fact, as of this writing in early March, the Green Bay area is 11 inches behind an average winter snowfall. In the old days, a "Snow Day" was something to look forward to. You would wake up in the morning – but not too awake – and watch the school closures at the bottom of the TV screen, hoping and praying to see your school's name. If it were there, you would go back to sleep. If it was not, you would lazily get ready to walk down to your bus stop. Nowadays, thanks to modern technology, the Snow Day has gone the way of the flip phone. Instead, you get to go to school online using Google classroom where you can access all the assignments and materials you need and use Google Meet which allows teachers to go through virtual discussions

with their students. Of course, there aren't any Snow Days to make up at the end of the school year either. Oh, and the chances of a Snow Day anymore this year? Well, the long-range forecast for this area calls for warmer than average temperatures.

March Madness Ahead

By Jonas Johnson

Brackets, Seeds, Play-In Games, Cinderella Stories, and Upsets. It's March Madness and it fires up a whole Nation for an entire month. At ONHS, staff and students participate in a friendly bracket competition for bragging rights. As of this writing in early March, tournaments are being held across the country to see who is in and who is out. Houston is the top team this year. Usually, a number one seed does not win, but maybe this year. The Men's Division 1 tournament begins March 17 with four play-in games. Then, the whole thing gets going March 21-22. By April 6, the field has been narrowed down to the Final Four. From there, there are two more games, and the winners go to the championship. Looking into this writer's crystal ball, the Championship will be between Houston and Iowa with Houston coming out on top. For women, there is also a tournament that starts March 22-23 and runs through April 7. That same crystal ball says, Iowa, led by the GOAT Caitlin Clark, will take it all.



LAURENCE M. HAUPTMAN

Visits

ONEIDA

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

11AM – ONEIDA NATION HIGH SCHOOL
Heroes and Heroines in Oneida History

NOON-2PM – ONEIDA VFW
Wisconsin Oneidas in the Civil War

4PM – ONEIDA LIBRARY
An Untold Story: The Wisconsin Oneidas and the Rise of Green Bay

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

3:30PM – ONEIDA LIBRARY
*Brief Presentation of Cornelius Hill
Research at the UWGB Archives*

Schedule subject to change.

2024 MINOR TRUST PAYMENT

Born between 09/02/2002 - 09/01/2006:

Minor Trust Account could be available to claim or defer

MINOR TRUST ACCOUNTS

Set up for enrolled Tribal members under 18 years old who are eligible to receive them or have previously deferred

MINOR TRUST DEFERRAL

Minor Trust Payment Deferral forms mailed March 2024

If you don't receive a **PINK** Minor Trust Payment Form packet by April 1, 2024, please contact us

CLAIM OPTIONS

CLAIM ALL Receive 100% of account

DEFERRAL Account will remain invested

- 100% Deferral: No immediate payment
- Custom Percentage: Choose your own percentage (whole numbers only). The remaining percent won't be received this year.

BENEFITS OF DEFERRING

- Safeguarding from the IRS
- Monies will remain invested
- Help save for your future

IMPORTANT DATES (NO EXCEPTIONS)

✓ **MONDAY, JULY 1, 2024 4:30 PM**
Deadline to submit

- **PINK** Minor's Trust Payment/Deferral Form
 - Claim all or Defer

✓ **TUESDAY, SEPT. 3, 2024 4:30 PM**
Deadline to submit

- Proof of Graduation Document
- Direct Deposit Form

✓ **PAYMENT: OCTOBER 2024**
Minor's Trust payments will be issued by the end of October 2023

If you haven't claimed your Minor Trust Account and you're 21, please contact us right away

FORMS & MORE INFORMATION

ONEIDA TRUST ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

oneida-nsn.gov/resources/enrollments

920.869.6200 · 800.571.9902

Mail-ins USPS: P.O. Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155-0365

(No mailbox) Deliver in person or by courier only (Fed Ex, UPS) to 210 Elm St, Oneida WI 54155

In collaboration with **Oneida Vocational Rehabilitation**, thank you to everyone who attended the Kunhi-Yo "I AM HEALTHY" event Friday, February 23, 2024. We learned together and feasted together. Watch for details on upcoming Kunhi-Yo events.

Learn more about Kunhi-Yo by emailing shill3@oneidanation.org or eoberst@oneidanation.org.

Huge thank you to sponsors Oneida Behavioral Health's Tribal Opioid Response grant initiatives and Oneida Vocational Rehabilitation.



Submitted by Amber Powless

COORD- Community Outreach · EHS^{LA} Tsyunhéhkwa

Tsyunhéhkwa held a tobacco burning Saturday, March 16, 2024 to welcome back the Grandfathers that nourish our Mother Earth.

Randy Cornelius, led the attendees in prayer. This sacred tradition holds deep significance for Haudenosaunee people, emphasizing reciprocity and our interconnectedness. As we step into the planting season, let's remember our role in the circle of life, express gratitude, and cultivate our minds.

Following the ceremony, attendees enjoyed light refreshments and explored the greenhouse to learn about tobacco as prayer and its growth. Watch for details about the Seed and Plant Distribution event in May.





Rev. James Biegler Installed at Oneida Holy Apostles

By Garth Webster

Kalihwisaks/Creative Services

James Biegler, a 1975 graduate of Nashotah House, has served in numerous locations around the country and after being installed by Bishop Matt Gunter on Saturday, March 9, 2024, Biegler now serves at Oneida Holy Apostles (OHA) Church.

As reported in the January 2024 edition, OHA has been without a permanent leader of their congregation after Deacon Deborah Heckel retired.

Biegler and wife Lin were welcomed to the community, as shown to the left, as they received applause by members of OHA. After the installation ceremonies, a luncheon was held at the Parish Hall.

Comprehensive Housing

Mortgage Relief Payment Program (MRPP)

Assistance available for

- Mortgage
- Utilities
- Homeowner's insurance
- Property tax payments

For Oneida Nation Tribal Homeowners who have been economically impacted by COVID-19 pandemic

Applications & More Information

 **Oneida Nation Comprehensive Housing**

 oneida-nsn.gov/resources/housing

2914 Commissioner St. Oneida
 Mailing: P.O. Box 68 Oneida, WI 54155
 920.869.2227
 Fax: 920.869.2836

Qualifying Criteria

- **COVID-19 Impact:** Experienced pandemic-related hardships
- **Tribal Membership:** Must be an enrolled Oneida Tribal member
- **Age Requirement:** Must be 18 years or older
- **Homeownership:** Provide proof of residence ownership or mortgage
- **Income Limit:** Household income should not exceed 100% of the county median income
- **Single Applicant:** Only one applicant per household

Assistance availability based on funding provided by the Homeowners Assistance Fund (HAF) by the Treasury Department

Questions & Submissions

Leanne Jordan
 LJordan2@oneidanation.org
 920.869.6172
Comprehensive Housing Drop Box



Example of 100% Outagamie County median HAF income

Household size	Maximum Income
1 Person.....	\$96,200
2 People.....	\$96,200
3 People.....	\$96,200
4 People.....	\$101,300
5 People.....	\$109,450
6 People.....	\$117,550
7 People.....	\$125,650

Check Income Eligibility Requirement:



GILBERT JAMES BLAKER**May 27, 1952 - March 2, 2024**

Gilbert James Blaker Jr, age 72, formerly of Oneida, passed away on Saturday, March 2, 2024. He was born on May 27, 1952, the son of Gilbert James

Blaker Sr, and Theresa Baird Blaker. Gilbert enjoyed people; he had the gift of GAB. No one was ever a stranger. Gilbert enjoyed running, fishing, playing cards, chess, and backgammon.

He is survived by his brother Mark, in Washington State; his sisters Tammy Ceyphes De Pere, WI, and Pat Defoe in Milwaukee, WI. He has 8 children, including 5 daughters: Theresa (Seth) Morris, Ashland WI, Tammy Blaker, Manitowoc, Jennifer Blaker, Green Bay WI, Ashley (Jesse) Blaker, Green Bay, WI, and a son Edward V. in Kaukauna, WI. He has many grandchildren, he never got to meet.

He is preceded in death, by his parents, a sister Terry Szymanski, and two Infant Daughters, Katherine Rae and Katrina Star.

The family would like to thank the staff at Angels on Arcadia for all the wonderful care given to Gilbert these last few years. As well as the Unity Hospice nurses who made sure he was comfortable in the end. We are happy to know he was able to be the man we knew he could be with you. His epitaph should be "woul'da, shoulda, coulda but wouldn't, didn't, then couldn't." In keeping with his wishes, no services will be held.

ROBERT "BOB" L. CHRISTJOHN**September 29, 1942 - March 9, 2024**

Robert "Bob" L. Christjohn, age 81, of Grand Chute, passed away on Saturday, March 9, 2024 at Silverstone Assisted Living. He was

born on September 29, 1942 to Emily Christjohn. Bob graduated from UW-La Crosse with a degree in History and obtained his Master's Degree from UW-Os-

hosh. Bob was a teacher at Keshena, served as a tribal judge and also held administrative positions with the Oneida Nation. He proudly served his country during the Vietnam War as a member of the United States Army. On August 31, 1968, Bob married the love of his life, Judith Rankin. He enjoyed traveling, golfing, going to the casino and studying everything about history.

Bob is survived by his spouse Judith; his brother-in-law Bob (Shirley) Schroeder; sister-in-law Sandra (Ian) Cameron; and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A memorial service for Bob will take place at 12 NOON on Saturday, March 23, 2024 at BRETTSCHEIDER TRETIN NICKEL FUNERAL CHAPEL, 606 N Oneida Street, Appleton. Friends may visit from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service.

RONALD H. DENNY**1936 - January 30, 2024**

Ronald H. Denny, 87, passed away on Tuesday, January 30, 2024. He was born in 1936, in Seymour, Wisconsin, to the late Curtis and Clena Denny. Ronald retired from the Oak Creek (Wisconsin) Power Plant and moved to Lexington, SC in 2000. He was a proud member of the Oneida Nation and enjoyed golfing, boating, and traveling.

Ronald is survived by his son, Anthony Denny; daughter, Valerie (Eddie) Ellis; 2 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; as well as other relatives.

He was predeceased by his wife of 66 years, Mary Denny; son, Ronald Mitchell Denny; brothers, Lawrence and Edward Denny; and sisters, Delores Beechtree and Carol Schofield.

The family is planning a private service. Woodridge Memorial Park and Funeral Home of Lexington, SC, is assisting the family.

To plant a beautiful memorial tree in memory of Ronald Denny, please visit our Tree Store.

SHIRLEY M. "SONJA" JENNINGS**December 9, 1957 - February 10, 2024**

Shirley M. "Sonja" Jennings, age 66, of Oneida, passed away at her home, Saturday, February 10, 2024, surrounded by her loving family and many friends. She

was born on December 9, 1957. Shirley grew up in Chicago and was involved with the Chicago Indian Center. She attended Moody College and graduated from Bible College. She had six children, 17 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She attended assembly of God Church all across the country. She loved to laugh and loved to praise Jesus. She was loved.

A gathering will take place today, Monday, February 19, 2024 from 4-6 p.m. at Newcomer Cremations, Funerals, Receptions, 340 S. Monroe Ave, Green Bay. A service will follow at 6 p.m.

MITCHEL ROY METOXEN**April 1, 1967 - February 19, 2024**

Mitchel Roy Metoxen, 56, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, February 19, 2024 at his home in Seymour, WI. The son of Roy and Lida (Parkhurst) Metoxen

was born on April 1, 1967, in Green Bay. He was a proud member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

Mitch graduated from West De Pere High School. Further, he earned his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Wisconsin – Green Bay, in Political Science/Public Administration and his Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh. He loved and lived for higher education.

Mitch served in the United States Marine Corps as a Military Policeman from 1990 to 1994 serving in Okinawa, Japan and Quantico, VA. When asked why he wanted to be a Marine, his comment would al-

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Mitchel Roy Metoxen

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ways be "it was the only branch of service that wasn't on the (family) wall."

On March 3, 1990, he married his wife Glenda and together, they built a life raising their daughter Kennedy, his pride and joy in any conversation.

He spent his career working for the Oneida Tribe of Indians, lastly working 26 years with the Higher Education Department. Prior, he was employed with the Oneida Security Department. His passion laid with helping and serving the Oneida Community.

Mitch enjoyed golfing, hunting, fishing, watching the Packers and Brewers, taking long walks with his dog, Murphy and watching Fox News. Often times driving through the reservation, he could be heard saying "I use to pick apples there," and "I use to hunt rabbits there."

He is survived by his wife, Glenda; daughter, Kennedy; siblings, Dale "Rick" (Tammy) Metoxen, Kenneth Metoxen, Lynn Metoxen, Lyle (Laurie) Metoxen, Godson, Dale Metoxen, Jr., nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, other extended family and countless friends.

Mitch was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Lida; siblings, Jeffrey "Jeff", Alphan "Al" and Laurie "Lobie" Metoxen. Family and friends may visit at The Church of the Holy Apostles, 2937 Freedom Road, Oneida, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, February 23, 2024. The Oneida Hymn Singers will begin at 10:30, with a funeral service beginning at 11:00. Burial will follow at the Holy Apostles Cemetery with full military honors.

Semper Fi Mitch. Forever missed, forever loved.

In Mitch's words, "Heaven is Perfect!"

The family would like to extend special thanks to the Outagamie County Sheriff Department, Deputy Sheriff Vaneperen, County Dispatch, Outagamie County First Responders, Crisis Workers Kari & Jen and Ryan Funeral Home.



JESSICA MARIE NISHIMOTO

October 2, 1982 - March 9, 2024



Jessica Marie Nishimoto, 41, of Oneida, Wisconsin, peacefully passed away on March 9, 2024, following a courageous battle with Cerebral Palsy

and complications of aspiration pneumonia. Jessica was born on October 2, 1982, in Green Bay, Wisconsin, to loving parents Ian K. Nishimoto and Kim R. Cornelius.

Jessica lived a life devoted to serving those around her with quiet strength and love. She touched the hearts of many with her infectious smiles and gentle spirit. In her earlier years, she brought joy to the residents of Anna John Nursing Home, where her presence brought comfort and happiness to those she visited. One resident expressed that Jessica's presence brought her happiness and purpose.

An active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Jessica found solace in attending Primary, where the children's voices brought her immense joy. Despite her physical limitations, she would join in their laughter and smiles, finding peace in their company.

Jessica was a cherished big sister to her siblings, Justin Nishimoto (Francesca), Adam Nishimoto (Kirsten), and Keilani Nishimoto, Nephews, Caden, Gabriel, Israel, Samuel, and Niece, Luella. Though she couldn't walk or speak, her love and presence were deeply felt by her family. Her gentle spirit and kind nature will be dearly missed by all who knew her. Jessica fought valiantly and has now completed her earthly mission.

A visitation will be held on Friday, March 15, 2024, from 9:00 am to 10:15 am at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, located at N6135 Seminary Rd in Oneida, followed by a memorial service from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. Ryan Funeral Home, De Pere, is assisting the Nishimoto Family. To extend online condolences, please visit www.ryanfh.com.

The family extends their deepest gratitude to all friends and family who have offered support during this difficult time, helping to alleviate the pain of Jessica's passing. A sincere appreciation is also

extended to the compassionate nurses and doctors at Bellin Hospital on the first floor and in the ICU who provided care for Jessica.

SARAH E. SLOMA

August 3, 1941 - February 26, 2024



Sarah E. Sloma, age 82, formerly of Brillion, passed away peacefully after a courageous battle with many struggles in her life and with her health.

She found peace and entered God's loving arms on Monday morning, February 26, 2024, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Appleton.

Sarah was born on August 3, 1941, in Maple Grove, WI, daughter of the late Thomas and Julia Cavanaugh. She was a graduate of Reedsville High School. On May 7, 1960, she married Gerald V. Sloma. He preceded her in death on October 9, 2020. Sarah began her career working at Brillion Iron Works and later became a Nurse's Assistant and worked at various care facilities in the area. She was very active in her first 55 years of life. She loved hunting, sturgeon spearing and fishing out of Two Rivers on the big lake. Sarah also had a love of flowers which she planted around their home and getaway mobile home in Two Rivers. Later in life, Sarah had many medical issues that took a great toll on her. Her pride and joy in life revolved around her family, her home, and being a proud member of the Oneida Tribe.

Survivors include one son: Robin Sloma (special friend Jean Klug), Brillion; one daughter: Sandra Sengbush, Appleton; one granddaughter: Sierra; many great grandchildren; her siblings: Francis Cavanaugh, Larry (Sandy) Cavanaugh, Julia (Bob) Stedl, Barb (Gary) Borchardt, Jeff & Mike Cavanaugh; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law: Patricia Schuh, John (Carol) Sloma, Jim (Shelby) Sloma. Many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends also survive. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two sons: Mark & Bruce Sloma; one daughter: Kimberly (Rick) Lorenz; two sisters: Jeannie Cavanaugh,

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Sarah E. Sloma

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Annie (Ken) Menting; brother-in-law: Tony Schuh; sister-in-law: Evie Stetson; and her faithful companion: Marbles.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, March 4, 2024, at Holy Family Catholic Church, Brillion. Officiating at the Mass of Christian Burial will be the Rev. Tom Pomeroy.

The family will greet relatives and friends on Monday, March 4, 2024, at church from 9:00 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. Online condolence may be made. The Pielhop Wieting Funeral Homes of Brillion & Reedsville are assisting the family with funeral arrangements.

HENRY D. SMITH

June 27, 1950 - February 29, 2024



Henry D. Smith, of Union Grove, passed away peacefully on February 29th, 2024 at the age of 73. A lifelong resident of the Southern Wisconsin Center for

the Developmentally Disabled, Henry's life, though marked by challenges, was rich with love and cherished connections.

Known for his fondness for life's simple pleasures, Henry loved snacks, with Cheetos and M&M's holding a special place in his heart. His playful teasing, particularly directed at the caring staff of the center, will be remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

A proud member of the Oneida Nation, his spirit remained deeply connected to the heritage of his people.

Henry's spirit is now carried by his surviving brothers, William Smith, Donald (Marilyn) Smith, and Edgar Smith along with nieces, nephews and a host of relatives and friends.

Henry was preceded in death by his parents, William and Ruth Smith (nee Skenandore) and siblings Gerald Smith, Shirley Ann Smith, Alice Cornejo, Gladys Smith and Richard Smith.

The family extend profound gratitude to the dedicated staff and healthcare team at the Southern Wisconsin Center for the Developmentally Disabled, who truly be-

came an extended family to Henry. Their unwavering love and affection provided him comfort and joy throughout his lifetime.

JEANETTE "GRANDMA" TELLER October 31, 1931 - February 22, 2024



Jeanette "Grandma" Teller, 92, Green Bay, passed away Thursday morning, February 22, 2024, at her home while surrounded by her family. Born Octo-

ber 31, 1931, in Green Bay, she is the daughter of the late Adele Summers LaMotte and was raised by her grandparents, Louie and Mary LaMotte. Jeanette graduated from Haskell Institute in Lawrence, Kansas. She worked for many years at Packerland Packing before transitioning to employment with Oneida Nation, serving in various capacities well into her 80s. Family was so very important to Jeanette. She was a true Legend raising multiple generations of children. She found great joy in watching her family participate in family baseball games and cookouts. Jeanette was an avid sports fan, cheering on her Packers, Brewers, Badgers and her Tiger Woods. She will long be remembered as a proud and stubborn lady who had a generous, giving Golden Heart.

Jeanette is survived by 10 of her 13 children, Brenda (James Sr. Skippergosh, Kerry (late Ronnie Sr. Picotte), John (Leslie) Teller, Frank (Patti) Teller, Shirley Teller, Joe Teller, Joni (Rudy Sr. Beltran), Wanda Teller, Lu Anne (late Amado Sr. Saldana) and Lorrie Webster; a grandson, Dustin (Geneva) Teller, who she raised as her child. She is also "Grandma" to 44 grandchildren, 136 great-grandchildren, 23 great-great-grandchildren, that is a total of 203 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three daughters, Judy, Barbara, and Crystal Teller; grandchildren, Mary Rose Teller, Gabriel Boyd, Jeremy Teller, Joseph Jr. Teller, Valleri Saldana and Jennifer Webster; and great-grandchildren, Cheyenne Snake and Terrell Picotte; and the father of her children, Hugh John Teller.

Visitation at Malcore Funeral Home, 701 N. Baird Street, Sunday, February 25, 2024,

from 10am until 6pm. Visitation to continue at the funeral home Monday, February 26, 2024, from 8am until the funeral. The Oneida Singers will begin singing at 9am Monday. Funeral Mass 10:30am, Monday at Saints Peter and Paul Church. Burial will follow in Oneida Sacred Burial Grounds.

Jeanette's family extends a special thank you to the staffs of Unity Hospice and St. Vincent Hospital for the care given to Jeanette. Visit www.malcorefuneralhome.com to share a condolence with the family.

STEVE EVARISTO VENTURA July 29, 1983 - February 23, 2024



Steve Evaristo Ventura, 40, passed away unexpectedly February 23, 2024. The son of the late Steve F. Ventura and Barbara R. Metoxen was born July 29,

1983, in Green Bay. Steve was a proud member of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin. Steve aka "King Ace" and Indian storyteller loved to fool everyone and put a smile on your face.

Steve enjoyed spending time with his children Anthony, Ariana, Alexis, Stevi, and Evaristo Ventura, in addition spending time with family. He enjoyed listening to music and singing loud and proud to his favorite song La Bamba. He was a big foodie, loved his snacks and fine dining. Steve was the #1 fan of the Chicago Bears and loved sports. In his younger days he was a fancy dance champion at powwows.

Steve loved Chicago, the home of his father and where he was raised most of his life, amongst many relatives. The guy had killer looks...a smile that would light up the room and captivating eyes. When family or friends needed help, he was there to assist.

Steve is survived by his children; Anthony, Ariana, Alexis, Stevi, and Evaristo, his mother, Barbara R. Metoxen, brothers; Mario (Renee) Metoxen, Jacob Ventura, Omar Salmeron, and Marcus (Shannon) Salmeron, his fiancée, LaToya Garcia, and their blended family Elyez, Clarice, Chayron, and Charlize and nieces, nephews, aunts,

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uncles, cousins, and friends. Special cousins Kristy King (Danny), Tom Lee, Shantel Christjohn, Dominic Skenandore, and Gracey Cantu.

Steve was preceded in death by his father, Steve F. Ventura, Grandparents Nick & Mary Metoxen, Evaristo & Dora Ventura, Florence Corn, a niece Darylee Reiter, sisters Lola Skenandore, and Crystal King, Uncles Salvadore Ventura and Johnny Ventura.

Visitation will be on Saturday, March 2, 2024, from 10am-12pm, Service will be at 12pm with Oneida Hymn Singers at 11:30am, at Ryan Funeral Home 305 N. Tenth Street De Pere, WI 54115. Drummers will follow the service.



**ONEIDA NATION
PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**
FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024, 12:15 pm
*Norbert Hill Center
Business Committee Conference Room
N7210 Seminary Rd., Oneida, WI*



Find Public Meeting Materials at

Oneida-nsn.gov/government/register/public meetings

Send Public Comments to

LOC@oneidanation.org

Ask Questions here

LOC@oneidanation.org

920-869-4417

BACK PAY LAW AMENDMENTS

The purpose of the Back Pay law is to set forth standards used in the reinstatement of an employee and the calculation of back pay for all employees of the Nation in accordance with the Nation's law.

The Back Pay law amendments will:

- Include a new section in the law which provides for the reinstatement of employee who had an involuntary separation overturned and addresses such issues as:
 - requirement to hold a position pending litigation;
 - amending the position description or eliminating the position pending an employee appeal; and
 - reinstatement of an employee to the position the employee was involuntarily separated from;
- Clarify that back pay calculations shall be made using the employee's last wage in the position which they were involuntarily separated from.
- Clarify the circumstances in which an employee is not eligible to work, and therefore is not eligible for back pay.

Individuals may attend the public meeting for the proposed Back Pay law amendments in person at the Norbert Hill Center, or virtually through Microsoft Teams. If you wish to attend the public meeting through Microsoft Teams please contact LOC@oneidanation.org.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CLOSSES FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024

During the public comment period, anyone may submit written comments, questions or input. 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.

For more information on the proposed Oneida Nation Assistance Fund law please review the public meeting packet at oneida-nsn.gov/government/register/public meetings.



ONEIDA JUDICIARY

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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 Trial Court P.O. Box 19, Oneida, WI 54155

Oneida entities owed a debt: ONEIDA TRIAL COURT



NOTICE OF INTENT TO GARNISH

Debtor's Names:
Jonni L. Webster
Marcella John

First published notice 4/24



LEGAL NOTICE

Setting Time and Notice to Interested Parties.

The following estates are being prepared for probate by the Oneida Nation, Land Commission Hearing Body for 5/28/2024 at 4:00 pm (via Microsoft Teams Platform)

To attend a scheduled hearing virtually contact Cindy Lecker, Land, Title & Trust Specialist, Oneida Nation, Land Management, • PO Box 365, • Oneida, WI 54155, • 920-869-6610 • clecker@oneidanation.org

In the Matter of the Estate of Priscilla H. Shegonee, Case No. 2024 LCP 0026

1. An application for probate was filed.
2. The decedent with a date of birth of 07/19/1959 and date of death 10/30/2022, was an Oneida Nation member, domiciled on the Oneida Reservation at 661 Dead End Road, Oneida, WI 54155.
3. **The deadline to submit claims was January 8, 2024.**
4. All interested persons are hereby noticed.

ONEIDA NATION PARDON AND FORGIVENESS HEARING NOTICE

Purpose: Pardon or Forgiveness – a Tribal member may receive a pardon for the conviction of a crime(s); or a Tribal member may receive forgiveness for acts that render him or her ineligible for housing with the Tribe or other Tribal benefits. A Tribal member or non-Tribal member may receive forgiveness for acts that render him or her ineligible for Tribal employment; an occupational license, certification or permit issued by the Tribe; housing through the Tribe; or other Tribal benefit.

1. Registration: Pardon or Forgiveness petitioners must register witnesses twenty-four (24) hours prior to the public hearing date by contacting the Government Administrative Office at 920-869-4303.
2. Testimony
 - a. Oral: Each witness will be limited to 5 minutes. Witnesses who have not pre-registered will not be allowed to testify. There will be no exceptions.
 - b. Written: Written testimony must be submitted on or within five (5) days of the pardon and forgiveness hearing date.
 - c. Witnesses: Witnesses who wish to testify against the granting of a pardon or forgiveness must register twenty-four (24) hours prior to the pardon and forgiveness hearing date. There will be no exceptions.
3. Petitioners: The following pardon and forgiveness application(s) will be considered: Jake A Doxtator.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TO BE HELD

April 10, 2024 at Noon - 1pm

**Comprehensive Housing Front Conference Room
2913 Commissioner Street, Oneida, WI 54155**

In accordance with the Administrative Rule-making Law, the Comprehensive Housing Division and the Oneida Land Commission are hosting this Public Meeting to gather feedback from the community regarding pro-posed amendments to the following rule:

Leasing Rule No. 2—CHD Residential Sales

- Replacing the selection process from a highest qualified offer process with a lottery draw process such that homes will continue to be listed for the appraised price, but buyers will no longer be able to bid over asking price to gain a competitive advantage; and
- Determining what happens to residential sales inventory in the event there are no offers received for a given listing.

To obtain copies of the Public Meeting documents for this proposal, please visit www.oneida-nsn.gov/Register/PublicMeetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPEN UNTIL APRIL 18, 2024

During the Public Comment Period, all interested persons may submit written comments and/or a transcript of any testimony/spoken comments made during the Public Meeting. These may be submitted to The Comprehensive Housing Division by U.S. mail, interoffice mail, e-mail or fax.

**Comprehensive Housing Division
2913 Commissioner Street, Oneida, WI 54155
mhill@oneidanation.org
Phone: 920-869-2227 • Fax: 920-869-2836**

When: Thursday, May 16, 2024

Where: Norbert Hill Center - Business Committee Conference Room. N7210 Seminary Road, Oneida WI 54155 (dependent upon COVID levels hearing may change to a virtual option. Please call ahead to confirm at 920-869-4303)

Time: 10:00 AM

This pardon and forgiveness hearing notice conforms to the Oneida Pardon and Forgiveness Law notice requirements 126.8-1.

CONTACT US OR SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO:

(920) 869-4303 Email: Secretary@oneidanation.org

Mail: Government Administrative Office • PO Box 365 • Oneida WI 54155-0365 In Person: Government Administrative Office • N7210, Seminary Rd. Oneida

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The Wellness Council presents:

Winter Wellness Talks

Topic & Date: Alcohol & Substance Use
April 3, 2024

Time: 12:10-12:45PM

Location: Oneida Health Center
North & South
Conference Rooms

Contact Taylor Jean for more information or future topic suggestions.
tjean@oneidasn.gov or 920-693-1943

07/34/2024

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ONEIDA NATION CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY



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Full course is one 2-hour session.

May be completed as an individual or with your co-parent.

Register at 920-490-3700 (option 1)
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56th Annual Oneida Royalty Pageant

Tuesday, June 18th, 2024

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



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Form 02022024

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TAP
Tribal Action Plan

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Special Guests

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Contact Bill Vervoort
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ONEIDA SPRING TURKEY PERMITS

Oneida Spring Turkey Season begins Saturday, April 6, 2024 and ends Sunday, May 26, 2024. Spring bag limit is 2 birds (1 Tom/Jake and 1 Hen) per set. Last day to purchase permits is May 24.

Registration: phone or email 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.

- 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

Requirements: Valid 2023-2024 Oneida Sportsman license

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

*All license/tag/permit replacement require \$25 administrative fee

Registration, Questions and to Report Violations

Conservation Department at
920.869.6500
conservation_department@oneidanation.org


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



Scan or Click the QR Code to Download and Print Your Spring Turkey Regulations 2024



Scan or Click the QR Code to Download and Print Your Oneida Tribal Hunting Map 2023-24



DEER HARVEST 2023-24



◀ Tehassi Tasi Hill, Chairman during archery harvest



Kurt Jordan ▶

Conservation Department closely monitored white-tail deer harvest data. Despite a slight decline in issued Sportsman licenses, the overall harvest remained stable. Notably, the 2023 archery season saw increased deer harvests, while firearm season rates didn't align with license sales. Oneida Sportsmen achieved a 24% success rate, prompting adjustments to enhance overall success.

The department appreciates all Sportsmen and women for a safe and fruitful hunting season, aiming to maintain a healthy deer herd and quality harvest opportunities.

Oneida Nation
Conservation
Department

Scan or Click the QR Code to view the 2023-24 Deer Harvest Report




2023 ONEIDA ENROLLMENT REPORT

The February 2024 edition published the article, Blood Quantum-Deciding Our Future, on which a community meeting, organized by Norbert Hill Jr., was held January 17 to gather input from Oneida Members.

A variety of ideas and comments were presented by concerned community members, tribal leadership positions, including the Oneida Business Committee and Trust Enrollment Committee Members. This meeting essentially was a preview of the upcoming Blood Quantum GTC Meeting.

At this point, however, details are not yet available on a date for the Blood Quantum GTC Meeting. In anticipation of this meeting, the Trust Enrollment Committee has released a report detailing the statistics of current Oneida enrollment numbers.

Scan or Click the QR Code to view the 2023 Oneida Enrollment Statistics Report




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HOBART LAWSUIT POSITION STATEMENT

Recently the Village of Hobart (Village) sued the Department of the Interior (DOI) and federal officials to stop them from taking land into trust for the Nation. The village claims the fee-to-trust process is unconstitutional, the Nation is not eligible to have land taken into trust, and the DOI is biased against it. The Nation believes these claims are without merit and that prior litigation has answered

some, if not all, of these claims. The Nation moved to intervene which, if allowed by the presiding judge, would allow the Nation to act as a party in this litigation. The federal government supports the Nation's involvement in this litigation, but Village's position is not currently known. This matter remains open, and the court will decide the matter in accordance with its process timelines.



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920.639.6588

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Friday May 31 @ 7:30pm Performances at
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By Martin W. Prevost



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ONEIDA CASINO MOBILE SPORTS BETTING ACCESS – Expanded To All Oneida Nation Reservation Land



Oneida Casino sports betting using the Oneida Casino Sportsbook mobile app can now be accessed anywhere on Oneida Nation land, in addition to the Oneida Casino locations. This expanded area access is available as of March 13, 2024. "We are very excited to announce this significant expansion, said Louise Cornelius, Oneida Gaming General Manager. As the first Casino in Wisconsin to introduce sports betting, we are dedicated to providing the best experience for our customers and this is an improvement they have been asking for."

The expansion of sports betting to the entire Oneida Nation reservation

land, excludes PreK-12 school land. New users of the Oneida Casino Sportsbook app will still be required to activate their accounts at Oneida Casino, Main-Airport or West Mason locations as well as make account deposits and withdrawals. "This strategic opportunity allows us to better meet the growing demands of legal mobile wagering," said Cornelius.

Located in Green Bay, Wisconsin, Oneida Casino is the state's premier gaming entertainment destination. With thousands of slot machines, all the most popular table games, a poker room, sportsbook, and bingo hall, Oneida Casino has the action

you're looking for. An array of bars and dining options, plus an attached hotel, makes Oneida Casino perfect for a weekend getaway. It's no wonder Oneida Casino is the official casino of the Green Bay Packers.

For more information, contact Nate Wisneski, Senior Communications Specialist at 920.370.3380 or email nwisnes@oneidanation.org

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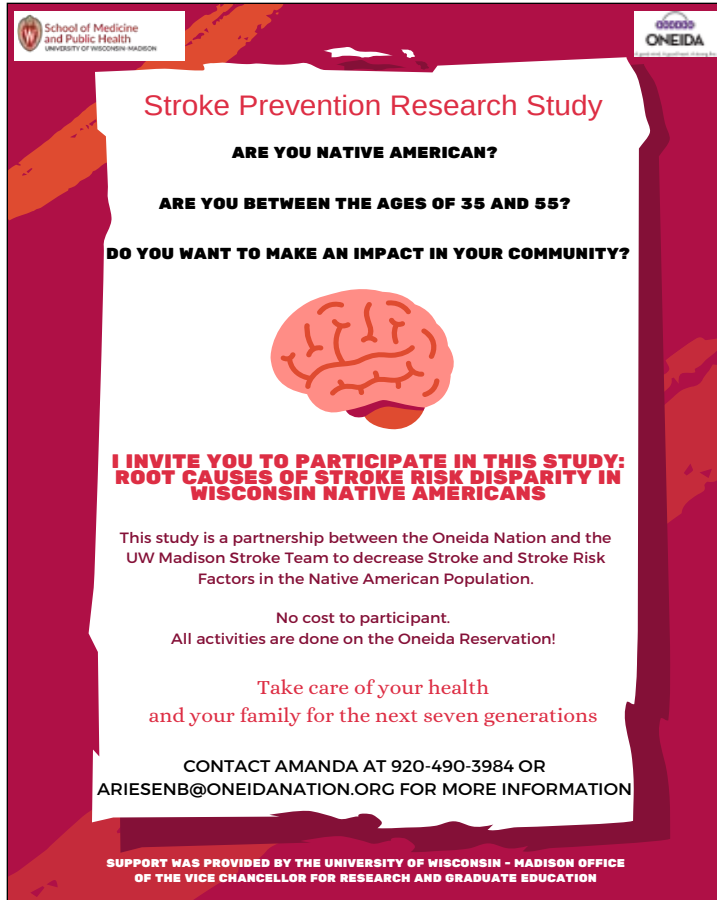
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<https://oneida-nsn.gov/government/elections-voting/#2024-Spring-General-Election>

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Oneida Nation Blood Drive

Wednesday, April 24th

10 am-3pm

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North American Indigenous Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony



The activities started with Charlie Doxtater leading the social dancing at the Norbert Hill Center, followed later that afternoon with a traditional lacrosse game, bringing the day to a close. Saturday morning at 6:30am, the agenda began with a brisk morning run/walk to begin the day.

Before breaking for lunch, each inductee was introduced to thunderous applause. After lunch, several inductees addressed the audience with their thought-provoking insights. Finally, the Oneida Smoke Dancers wowed the crowd with their presentation.

Click or Scan the QR Code to view the full list of NAIAHOF Inductees.





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