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See pg. 3 to learn how you can help stop plastic from polluting our water ways.



BUSINESS COMMITTEE FORUM

Councilman Kirby Metoxen promotes economic development and tourism. See pg. 2.

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Oneida Youth strengthen their fires to become tomorrow's leaders. See page pgs. 14 & 15.



Submitted by Kirby Metoxen
Oneida Nation Council Member

I'm currently serving my third term as an elected official on the Oneida Nation Business Committee and I've represented the Oneida Nation in various capacities, with a focus on tourism and the sustainability of Oneida. Prior to assuming my role as a Council Member, I was employed by the Oneida Tourism Department as a Special Events Tourism Coordinator for a period of 26 years.

My passion and experience has given me the knowledge to increase the Nation's visibility throughout the state and region through tourism and economic development initiatives. Native

American Tourism of Wisconsin (NATOW) is a pivotal tourism partnership that enhances Tribal tourism and economic development, while highlighting the beauty, diversity, and cultural dynamism of the 11 federally recognized Tribes of Wisconsin.

Tourism stands as the preeminent industry in Tribal economies, playing a pivotal role in the generation of employment opportunities and revenues essential for governmental services benefiting Tribes and their members. These services encompass healthcare, housing, education, elder care, pre-kindergarten, and more. By broadening their tourism endeavors across the state, region, and nation, the Tribes of Wisconsin are fortifying their endeavors towards self-sufficiency and economic enhancement. NATOW comprises representatives from each tribe convening bi-monthly to deliberate and execute strategic initiatives. I advocate for Tribal art, traditions, and culture, recognizing their profound significance within Native communities in the state, thereby positioning Wisconsin as a distinctive destination for exploring the historical narrative of Native American peoples in the Great Lakes Region.

On June 13-15, 2024, I also participated in the 2024 NATOW Annual Conference held at the Legendary Waters Resort & Casino in Red Cliff, Wisconsin. The theme

for this year's conference was "20 years of NATOW and We Are Still Here," emphasizing their dedication to sustainable tourism encompassing cultural, agricultural, and business sectors. The annual NATOW conference serves as a platform for Nations to showcase their unique tourism offerings and shed light on the distinctive features of their regions. For more information on NATOW or upcoming events, please visit natow.org.

As Council Member, I will diligently uphold my commitment to the Nation by actively participating in the Legislative Operating Committee (LOC) and fulfilling liaison responsibilities with the Southeast Wisconsin Oneida Tribal Services Advisory Board (SEOTS), Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation (OAH), and the Audit Committee.



Photo Courtesy of Kirby Metoxen
Councilman Kirby Metoxen at the State of the Tribes Address in Madison, WI.



The 56th Annual Oneida Royalty Pageant was held Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at the Oneida Hotel to bid farewell to the outgoing Royalty and introduce the new 2024 Miss Oneida, Yelihwakanyehs Powless, Jr. Miss Oneida, Joie (Kuwanata-yani) Gutierrez, and Lil Miss Oneida, Lucia Stevens. Good job to all the contestants!

KEEPERS OF THE EARTH-PART II

Our Carbon Footprint

Plastic Bags

By Garth Webster

Creative Services/Kalihwisaks

ABC News published a YouTube video in May 2023 reporting on their experiment of placing trackers inside plastic bags that were inserted into recycle bins. The intent was to discover if the bags actually got to a recycle center. The results were discouraging with just four of the 46 trackers finding their way to a recycle center.

Although plastic bags are manufactured to be recycled or reused, 99% of the roughly 100 billion plastic bags used in the United States (US) each year are recycled. This leads to bags frequently finding their way into landfills, then to water ways, and then to places such as the Great Pacific Garbage Patch, the largest of five garbage patches fueled with refuse by prevailing ocean currents, unable to escape due to the vortex.

Even when bags break down in the environment, they don't biodegrade. Rather, they break into smaller pieces known as micro-plastics, which are consumed by sea life and then, by humans, causing a laundry list of health conditions. The process of creating plastic bags compounds their pollution factor.

Plastic bags are manufactured using fossil fuels, such as oil, adding to the climate change conditions described in the April 2024 edition. For instance, Polypropylene bags are made from Polypropylene pellets derived from refined oil in a process known as Cracking, where ethane

and propane are super heated and then combined to form a polymer, or polymerized, resulting in "fluff." The Fluff is then extruded into solid tubes and cut into tiny pellets. The pellets are then shipped to manufacturers to further process the material into virgin plastic to make bags. Many types of bags follow this process, including polystyrene and polyethylene, the type of bag found at many retailers and grocery stores.

All the science aside, it's up to us as consumers to make decisions as Keepers of the Earth. Small steps make a difference, especially when you consider this small step multiplied billions of times by the Earth's population. One of these small steps are choosing and using recycled or reusing plastic bags. Non-woven or woven polypropylene bags are a wise choice. Cotton bags are another. However, the most environmentally friendly alternative to plastic bags are Jute bags.

Jute bags are made from the natural fiber that comes from the stem and skin of the Jute plant, also known as the "golden fiber". Jute is a renewable resource that grows in tropical and humid climates, like Bangladesh and India. Bags made from Jute are a much better choice than plastic bags because they are completely biodegradable.



Opt for Jute bags when shopping, and don't forget to bring them along. Many buyers often leave their bags at home or in the car trunk. Lastly, remember to wash them regularly, as they can absorb contaminants.

Scan here for 10 facts about single-use plastic bags



Ira P. Cornelius

By Isaiah Powless

During his early life he remembers his grandfather Ira, owning a machine shop where he would make several things for Ira and others in the community. Ira is the youngest of three, older sisters being June Begay and Donna Lake. He had a brother named Gene who passed away when he was young. He remembers his parents raising him as a mixture of Methodist, 7th Day Adventist and traditional Oneida beliefs, before they joined The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Ira also talks about his mother raising a number of foster children throughout his upbringing. Ira remembers his Christmas's usually starting with his family attending church on Christmas, and then opening presents when they came home.

He would also go Hoyaning with his neighbors on New Year's but would be shoed away by people. Growing up

Ira attended school in Chicago Corners for the first eight years of his education. After Chicago Corners he attended Seymour High School, and graduated in 1957. Later, he attended Haskell Indian School for nine months before coming home and starting a family. He would marry Amelia Cornelius and they would have six children together, Linn Cornelius, Kim Nishimoto, Laura Larkin, Kevin Cornelius, Kerry Cornelius, and Lee Cornelius.

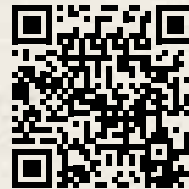
“ We'd go to church in the day, and by the time we came home Santa Clause had been there. So we'd open our presents and the go to bed and get to sleep longer ”

Ira P. Cornelius



More about Ira Cornelius

- ◆ Born on Ranch Road in Outagamie County, September 1st, 1940
- ◆ Mother was Lydia Summers, Father was Raymond Cornelius
- ◆ Grandparents were Nancy Doxtator and Ira Cornelius, Elizabeth Wheelock and Taylor Summers
- ◆ His Grandmother (Elizabeth Wheelock?) spoke Oneida and English but only Oneida after she suffered a stroke



Scan the QR code for the full interview

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER 2024



POWLESS Plays Apache Warrior in Horizon Movie

By Garth Webster

Creative Services/Kalihwisaks

It was a quiet Thursday morning in October 2022 when Tyson Powless, his mother Wisdoma, and sister Burdeena attended a Navajo Nation Prayer service in Tuba City, AZ and decided to get some breakfast at a local Denny's. After his meal, Tyson had to leave as Wisdoma and Burdeena stayed a while longer to chat, which proved to be very fortunate for Tyson.

As Wisdoma and Burdeena conversed, they were approached by a Navajo cast recruiter who was looking for extras for the movie "Horizon: An American Saga." This epic Western film stars Kevin Costner, who also directed and produced the film, which debuted June 28, 2024. The recruiter was seeking individuals to play Apache Warriors in one of the movie's upcoming shoots.

Wisdoma provided Tyson the Recruiter's contact information. Tyson, whose dream is to someday create and direct movies, got in touch with the recruiter. He left a message and after a few weeks passed, was skeptical if they would return his call. Needless to say, they did and invited Tyson to the filming location in Moab, UT.

Fast forward to February 2023. After dressing in a private trailer, Tyson described his gratitude to the recruiter for, "Giving a Native an opportunity to get in front of the camera." Tyson continued on, chuckling, "They even had my name on the trailer." Once in costume, Tyson came onto the set, which was on the edge of a cliff with a few other Apache Warrior Scouts looking off into the distance watching their enemies approach. Tyson said he was the featured extra saying the camera was right on him. Unfortunately, we'll have to wait a bit to see Tyson on the big screen. His role will be used in Part 2 of "Horizon: An American Saga" to be released August 16, 2024.

As alluded to, Tyson is as an aspiring film maker and director and so when asked about playing a Native American in the film he says, "It's kinda weird not being Apache but playing an Apache." He continued on by explaining he will continue to work towards his bigger goal of working behind the movie camera. Along with the gratitude for the



"Horizon" team, he also emotionally expressed his appreciation for the support from his family, most notably for his late father and the educational opportunities he created for him (Tyson) and many other Oneida citizens.

Tyson who formerly worked at the Arizona State University Jewelry Studio, is also a very accomplished silversmith and artist. His jewelry has been featured in a multitude of shows near his home in Phoenix, AZ as well as his artwork that fuses Indigenous southwest styles with contemporary imagery. All of Tyson's creative ability, along with his ambition, will surely lead to more success. Tyson hopes one of these future successes will include a role in "Dark Winds", a series based on the works of novelist Tony Hillerman, that Tyson will be auditioning for later this summer.



New Location! Oneida Farmers Market

“ The opening day was pretty eventful because the wind blew our 30 tents down twice, but because of all our hardworking volunteers we were able to have a successful farmers market!

Bruce Garvey, OFM Volunteer ”



Photo Courtesy Mia Charnon

By Mia Charnon

Creative Services/Kalihwisaks

On June 13, 2024, the Oneida Farmers Market (OFM) celebrated opening day at its new location. Previously situated on Water Circle Place, OFM relocated to N7284 CTH-J, directly across from the Oneida One Stop-HWY 54. Despite the windy weather, OFM volunteers were delighted to witness increased market traffic compared to their previous location. OFM extends gratitude to the Oneida Department of Public Works (DPW) for creating this fresh market space, complete with a new parking lot and walking paths for shoppers. Mark your calendars for the Annual OFM Bash on July 18, featuring food, music, fresh produce, and a car show sponsored by REZurrected Ridez.



Photo Courtesy Mia Charnon



Photos Courtesy Michelle Danforth-Anderson

Symbolic Staining Oneida Veterans Memorial

By Michelle Danforth-Anderson
Oneida Tourism Director

ChemArt was commissioned by Oneida Tourism to produce a stained variation that harmonizes with the walls of the Oneida Veterans Memorial. This endeavor not only protects the area but also emphasizes the distinct spaces between each wall, symbolizing the passage of time between wars. Next Steps: The Eagle statue base will be stained and the design concepts for the pavers will be discussed in July 2024.



Photo Courtesy Mia Charnon

Oneida Hosts Fentanyl Press Conference

“ Fentanyl is everywhere, help us end emergency. Awareness is the first step. ”

May 30, 2024. Press Release ”

On Thursday, May 30, 2024 Oneida Recovery Coach Patrick Danforth, Assistant Police Chief Joel Maxam, Oneida Behavioral Health Director Mari Kriescher, and Oneida Nation Chairman Tehassi Hill spoke regarding presence of fentanyl in the Oneida area and the lifesaving resources available to community members to help protect their family and friends.



Scan to view Fentanyl Is Everywhere press release

Oneida Public Transit Garage Groundbreaking

“ We would like to recognize Oneida Public Transit team. Sam Vanden Heuvel and Oneida Nation Engineering Team. ”

Carol Stiff, Oneida Public Transit Manager ”

On Tuesday, June 4, 2024, a groundbreaking ceremony marked the beginning of construction for the new Oneida Public Transit (OPT) Garage. OPT plans to build a new facility to address their functional and operational requirements, as the existing facility was originally intended as a temporary location. The new facility will be located near the Oneida Food Distribution Center on Water Circle Place and will include office space, vehicle storage, and wash bay. OPT is committed to providing safe, reliable, and affordable public transportation that supports life-long opportunities to strengthen education, well-being, and ts?niyukwalihot^ throughout the Oneida Community.



Photo Courtesy Garth Webster



Architectural Rendering of the new Oneida Public Transit Garage



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2024**

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Theme:
Spirit of our Ancestors

Application Deadline: Oct. 6, 2024

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COMMUNITY PHOTOSHOOT

We want to take your photo. Headshots will be used for the IMPACT WALL and life size ONEIDA TRIBAL WAMPUM BELT that will be exhibited at the NEW location.

Where:
New Museum location
760 Airport Dr.
Oneida, WI 54155

When:
Tue., June 25, 5-7pm
Wed., July 3, 7-9am
Wed., July 31, 5-7pm

Together, let's show the world how awesome our community really is!


ONEIDA
Museum

Interested?
Email gwebster@oneidation.org
or scoon@oneidation.org
or call 920.869.2768.

Zion Lutheran Church Celebrates 100 Years



Scan here for a more detailed history of Zion Lutheran Church

Photo Courtesy Garth Webster

By Garth Webster

Creative Services/Kalihwisaks

The Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church located at 453 Rose Hill Drive in Oneida is celebrating its 100th year of existence this year.

The congregation actually dates to the fall of 1923 under the leadership of Ev. Lutheran Synod of Missouri, Ohio, and other states who sent the ministerial candidate Cornelius

Aaron to Oneida. Shortly after in January 1924, six members conducted services in a future boarding house.

On Sunday, June 23, 2024, a church service was conducted to honor 100 years of service by church members, past Pastors, and special guest speaker Rev. Dr. Dwayne Lueck. Members of the Oneida Business Committee were also invited to the event.

CORRECTION: The June 2024 edition incorrectly spelled one of the early organizers of the Oneida Pow Wow in the article on page 2 as Ben Vieux. The correct spelling is Ben Vieau. We apologize for the error. If you spot errors in current or past issues, please contact us by messaging Kalihwisaks on Facebook, emailing kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org, or call 920.496.5632. Yaw^ko.



***Submitted by Sacheen Lawrence,
Native American Outreach Specialist and CAB Member***

The Oneida Alzheimer's Community Advisory Board (CAB) plays a vital role in approving and overseeing ongoing community research, which includes the Indigenous Cultural Understandings of Alzheimer's and Related Dementias-Research and Engagement (ICARE).

ICARE explores the lived everyday experiences of people living with or caring for people with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD) across four diverse Indigenous communities in Canada and the United States. The project uses a community-based participatory research approach and a Two-Eyed Seeing framework (incorporating strengths of both Indigenous and Western ways of knowing) to build trusting relationships, investigate the impact of ADRD across the disease trajectory, and improve the lives of Indigenous people, families, and communities.

Along with CAB oversight, ICARE is approved by Tribal governance in each participating community and funded by the National Institutes of Health. This research is a collaborative effort between the University of Minnesota-Duluth Memory Keeper Medical Discovery Team, the University of

Wisconsin-Madison, and four Indigenous communities/regions: 7 Anishinaabe First nations on Manitoulin Island, Ontario Canada; Red Lake Tribal Nation, Minnesota; Grand Portage Tribal Nation, Minnesota; and the Oneida Nation, Wisconsin.

Interviews with participants are conducted by Community Researchers at each site. So far, they have conducted interviews with Traditional Knowledge Carriers, health care providers, healthy older adults, and caregivers of loved ones living with late-stage dementia. Currently, the ICARE project is recruiting participants in groups of two – specifically, people living with mild or moderate dementia and a loved one who primarily cares for them.

If interested in participating, or simply learning more, we encourage you to contact the Oneida ICARE Community Researchers:

Marlene Summers & Lois Metoxen Strong
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920-371-9685 & 920-819-9606



Scan here for the Oneida Nation Alzheimer's Community Advisory Board Brochure





**Arro
Rodriguez**

Class of 2024 – Oneida Nation High School

Cornell College

**Playing Lacrosse and
studying Business**



**Chase
Bain**

Class of 2024 – Seymour Community High School

Onondaga Community College

**Playing Lacrosse and
studying Business**



**Tuesday, Aug 6
4-7pm
Mission Park
Site 1
Oneida, WI**

Vendor Interest and Donations Interest, Contact:
 Lisa John: 920.609.4306, Isabel Parker: 920.412.0396
 OPD Investigator Alexis Woelfel: 920.869.2239 ext. 6657

**National Night Out Picnic
with Oneida Comprehensive
Housing Division**

Oneida Police Department



**A community-building
campaign that promotes
police-community partnerships
and neighborhood camaraderie
to make our neighborhoods safer,
more caring places to live.**

**» Food » Door Prizes » Raffles » Dunk Tank » Cornhole »
 Activities » Music by Rock'n Daddys » Rez Rides » Vendors
 » Narcan Kits & Training » Drone Presentation**



Photo Courtesy Eliza Skenandore

Eliza Skenandore created her own regalia and shared her process on Twitch for her FY24 DAP project



Photos Courtesy Martin Prevost

Final dress rehearsal of Martin Prevost's FY24 DAP project "Captain Wallaby's Neighborhood" at the Robert Lee Brault Playhouse



Oneida Dollars for Arts Program

By Oneida Nation Arts Program

With continuing grant funds from the Wisconsin Arts Board (WAB), the Oneida Nation Arts Program has been able to offer their Dollars for Art Program (DAP) for 25 years. DAP grants are awarded for artistic endeavors and projects in both traditional and contemporary styles of visual arts, literature, music, theatre, and dance. The project period runs from Oct. 1 – Sept. 30, 2024 every year. This year, applications are due by Friday, July 26 by 5pm.

DAP grants can be used to fund an array of art-related projects that are open to the public. Projects must benefit an Oneida community in Wisconsin. Martin Prevost, a fiscal year 2024 DAP grantee, was awarded an Artist Development grant that he used to produce an original play, "Captain Wallaby's Neighborhood." Another fiscal year 2024 DAP grantee, Eliza Skenandore, used her award to create her own regalia and shared pieces of her process on Twitch, a live-streaming platform.

Oneida Nation Arts Board approved several changes with the intent of improving DAP for fiscal year 2025. Grantees are no longer required to cash match their awards. There are now four award types instead of three; the Arts Starts Award type has been added. The Arts Starts Award is for beginner artists who wish to explore an art medium they are not familiar with by using funds to take a class or lessons. The Fellowship Award was replaced with the Professional Artist Award.

Questions about DAP grants,
Sadie Wilson, Arts Coordinator
SWilson1@oneidanation.org



More Information
on DAP Program
& how to apply

School Nurse Administrator of the Year

By **Garth Webster**

Creative Services/Kalihwisaks

It was a special day for the Oneida Comprehensive Health Division's School Nurse, Charlene (Char) Kizior on Friday, May 31, 2024 as she was recognized by the Wisconsin Association of School Nurses (WASN) as School Nurse Administrator of the Year in a ceremonial luncheon at the Oneida Health Center.

WASN representative Kelly Barlow-Eichman delivered an emotional tribute for Kizior as her supervisor, Public Health Manager Debra Santiago and the rest of the nursing team proudly witnessed Char receive her award.

Over Kizior's 20 year tenure with Oneida, she's exemplified leadership as a member of numerous groups watching over the wellbeing of our youth, including:

- ◆ Headstart Advisory Committee
- ◆ Advisory of the National Association of School Nurses
- ◆ Private/Independent and Parochial School Nurses
- ◆ National Association of Health Committee, among others.

Kizior announced she is retiring, making this recognition doubly special.



Photos Courtesy Garth Webster

Kelly Barlow-Eichman, left, of the Wisconsin School Nurses Association presents the School Nurse Administrator of the Year award to Char. Right, Debra Santiago, Oneida Public Health Manager.

“ I've had so many great experiences and opportunities. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. ”

Char Kizior



Photo Courtesy Mia Charnon

Bay Area Career Expo Presented by Oneida Nation

On Tuesday, June 11, 2024 from 11am-2pm, the Oneida Nation presented the Bay Area Career Expo in the Three Clans Ballroom of the Oneida Hotel. 183 employment seekers had the opportunity to engage with 70 potential employers and received goodie bags to support them on their career journey. Oneida Economic Support provided a gift to the first four attendees to receive an interview and the first two attendees to be hired.

“ Great event - probably one of the best ones I've been to with great diversity and experiences from folks. Well done in promoting and advertising! Can't wait for next years. ”

Employer from Career Expo Survey



Photo Courtesy Richard Summers III

TETWATUNHATÉNYEHSE?

Oneida Rites of Passage Ceremony / "We are changing our lives"

The Tetwatunhatényehse? journey is a seven-year commitment for the child and their family. It is comprised of four years of ritual practice within the greater Tetwatunhatényehse? community, followed by three years of solo time to develop their interests and gain skills.

The primary focus is to build strong, intelligent, hardworking men and women with spiritual strength to lead the future of our communities and Nation.

When are they ready?

- ✦ For our young men, it is when their voice changes
- ✦ For our young women, it is when they start their time of the month also known as getting their moon
- ✦ The year the child is in will determine the color of their traditional regalia, their focus, and the length of time in which they will fast



Sacred Bond

Once it's recognized that a child is ready to begin Tetwatunhatényehse? by their parent or caregiver, the adults explore the child's network of relationships to select two Aunties and two Uncles. The chosen family members collaborate to ensure consistent care and support for the niece/nephew throughout their journey.

Immediately an offering in the form of a tobacco tie is given to each Auntie and Uncle that bonds the sacred trust between them and their niece/nephew.

Preparing

Traditional Lessons and Sweat Lodge Ceremonies from January through June help participants prepare for the Rites of Passage Ceremony

- ✦ New ceremonial clothing, food, and gifts are expected to be provided for the child
- ✦ Sewing lessons & guidance on how to make ceremonial clothes
- ✦ Traditional cooking classes
- ✦ Gifts to raise funds for ceremonial baskets and/or other needed materials



The Rites of Passage Team wishes to thank Ukwakhwa (Our Family) Steve and Becky Webster for hosting this year's activities

Aunties - Aknulha

"She's watching over me," "She lends me her milk," or "She tends to me"

Guidance on Self-Awareness

The Aunties Council helps nieces and nephews recognize the emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual changes occurring within them.

Cultural Empowerment

Guide and shape our nieces and nephews to embody empowered social roles as women or men, rooted in Onyote-aka culture, beliefs, and practices.

Roles During Fasting Week

Responsible for packing and ensuring nieces and nephews have only what they need for their time inside their lodges.



Uncles - Laknulha' *"He watches over me"*

Acknowledging Unique Talents

Guidance and Mentorship

Helps the youth explore options and consider consequences to make informed choices.

Identity and Purpose

The Uncles Council assists the youth in finding their identity and place in the world.

Roles During Fasting Week


- ✦ Ensuring Safety
- ✦ Guidance and Preparation
- ✦ Equipping with Survival Skills
- ✦ Sacred Fire Keeping



Final Feast

For all youth participating, their families, and our overall community at the end of fasting week to celebrate the youth and their accomplishments

For more information

 Tetwathatenyehse • Tetwathatenyehse@gmail.com
or call 920.372.8699

Fasting Week

Guidance on Solitude

Embrace solitude, learn to be comfortable alone with themselves.

Meditation to Honor Gifts and Rejuvenate

Solitude is not a punishment; it's a deliberate choice to honor their unique gifts and rejuvenate themselves.

Balancing the Test

Guided to trust nature to find balance between demand and comfort while alone in the wilderness.

MARIANNE BOYES**January 12, 1952 - May 4, 2024**

Marianne Boyes, 72, peacefully passed away in the early morning hours of May 4th, 2024. She was home with son, Phil close by. Marianne was

born January 12th, 1952 in Chicago, Illinois. She was the child of J.T. and Maurene (Taylor) Boyes. Her parents gave her a wonderful childhood, along with younger brother, John David Boyes, in Quincy, Illinois. Her parents blessed her with many opportunities including piano, clarinet, quilting lessons and taught her the love of family. She enjoyed the great company of numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews at many family events.

Marianne graduated from Quincy High School. She pursued higher education in Colorado. She valued those life experiences as a young adult in Colorado and grew into a strong independent woman. Returning to Illinois she settled in the Chicago area working 25+ years as a Medical Billing Specialist with Jensik, Faber, Kittle, Warren, LLC. There she raised her son, Jon Phillip Boyes, at their home in Willowbrook/Hindsdale. She was a secondary mom to Phil's friends and her house was deemed the clubhouse.

Family and friends were what Marianne cherished most, always keeping in contact. Lifelong friends include Maria "Lopez", Kathy Brown, and Jan Rilea.

Marianne was such a class act. She enjoyed all the classics, movies, music, the arts, furniture and clothes. Rolling Stones, Gordon Lightfoot, and the Chicago Art Institute to name a few. She had a great sense of humor, was the best listener and always imparted great pearls of wisdom. She was a great fan of Patrick Mahomes, Chiefs, the Packers, and the NBA.

Curious of her natural family she searched and found her siblings in 2014. Sadly her natural mother, Vera Skenandore Wilson and sister Roberta Kinzhuma had already passed. She did meet older sister, Rochelle Powless, and younger siblings, Don and Bernie Wilson, Priscilla Helen Shegonee, and Diane Wilson, along with

numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Together enjoying a number of family get togethers in Oneida, WI.

Marianne was loved by all she met and most importantly survived by her son, Jon Phillip Boyes, who helped her through her most trying times.

A service has been scheduled for June 1st, 1-4 p.m. at Modell Funeral Home, 7710 S. Cass Avenue, Darien, IL 60561.

RALPH W. CORNELIUS**February 18, 1954 - May 23, 2024**

Ralph Wayne Cornelius, 70, of Oneida, passed peacefully Thursday morning, May 23, 2024. Ralph was born on February 18, 1954 in Manitowoc, WI. He

was Married to the Late Sharon L. Cornelius on February 14, 1992. Ralph was the son of the late Murphy and Hazel (Powless) Cornelius. With a heart full of creativity, Ralph, an Iroquois Silversmith, reveled in sharing his craftsmanship at various powwows. His love for art, culture, and music resonated deeply with those who experienced it. Ralph's kind heart was evident in all aspects of his life, as he generously gave to charities and lent a helping hand to others whenever possible. His love for his friends, family, and dogs only grew stronger with each passing day, inspiring all who knew him to live a life filled with kindness and compassion. He was a beacon of encouragement forever cheering for his loved ones, at other sporting events and meaningful gatherings. Ralph found solace in nature's beauty, witnessing sunrises and sunsets with awe, and nurturing the wildlife around his home. His dedication to his work was unwavering. He spent his younger years pursuing excitement and making memories that would last a lifetime. Ralph is survived by his daughter, Marqita (Ben) Hanko, Manitowoc; Stepchildren: Jeremy (Kateri) Wheelock, Oneida. Jaime Wheelock, Oneida; Grand Children: Twilight, Ava, Kayden, and Anthony Jr; Great Grand Children: Sophia, Emilio, and Angel. He was preceded in death by many friends and family. We would like to thank Patricia and Bernie for being there for Ralph throughout the last year.

We also want to thank the Holy Apostles Church and Ryan Funeral Home for helping with the arrangements. Most of all we would like to thank Marqita, Ralph loved you so much and you did a great job caring for him in his final days. Family and friends may visit at the Church of the Holy Apostles, 2937 Freedom Road, Oneida beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 29, 2024. A funeral service will begin at 11:00 a.m. with burial to follow at the Holy Apostle Cemetery

SANDRA J. CORNELIUS**December 25, 1940 - May 27, 2024**

Sandra J. Cornelius, age 83, passed away surrounded by family on Monday, May 27, 2024. She was born on December 25, 1940 in Oneida, WI to the

late Leander and Evelyn (Hill) Danforth. She graduated from Seymour High School. Sandy married Clarence Cornelius on July 1, 1961, at Oneida United Methodist Church in Oneida, WI. They shared a wonderful life together for 62 years.

Sandy enjoyed spending time with her family, and prepared specialty meals for them as well. Some of her families' favorite meals were macaroni and cheese, gobbily goop, jello desserts, and enchiladas. She also often played board games and video games with her grandsons. She had many friends in California where she and Clarence lived for 22 years. She liked working switchboard at the Oneida Health Center for many years.

Sandy loved the Lord and had daily Bible readings. She had many different charities that she donated to including, St. Josephs Indian School, and Pastor David Jeremiah. She was a very generous woman.

Sandy is survived by her husband, Clarence, her two sons, Clarence Wesley (Rosita) Cornelius, and Matthew (Penny) Cornelius, grandchildren Joel, Christopher, Eric, Shawn, Aaron, and Stephen. She is further survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Sandy was preceded in death by her daughter Bonnie, her parents, and her siblings, Delphine Doxtator, Leander Dan-

forth, Kenneth Danforth, Arlene Danforth, and Joe Danforth.

Friends may call on Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM at Assembly of God Church, N7321 Olson Rd, Oneida, WI 54155. The Oneida Hymn Singers song service will begin at 12:30 PM, with the funeral service to begin immediately following. Burial will occur at a later date.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Dr. Flood at Oneida Health Center, Maria Danforth in Elderly Services, St. Vincent Hospital 4th Floor and ICU, and Pastor Joel Cornelius and Terry Doxtator from Assembly of God Church.

WENDEL L. CORNELIUS

February 20, 1943 - June 4, 2024



Wendel L. Cornelius, 81, Oneida, passed away peacefully Tuesday, June 4, 2024 surrounded by his family. He was born February 20, 1943, to the late

Arthur and Sadie (Metoxen) Cornelius Sr. On April 22, 1977, he was united in marriage to Margaret Heath.

Always a free spirit, Wendel enjoyed rooting for the Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears, and spending time with his grandkids.

Wendel had worked at Vlasic Pickels, Yellow Cab, Flash Cab, Bay City Cab, and spent his later years at Oneida Bingo.

He is survived by his wife Margaret, his children; Dan (Linda), Wendel Jr. (Bobbi Jo), Stevie (Yvette), Brian, Allen (Jessica), Michelle (Richard), Sadie (Orlando), Annette (Ernest), as well as 38 grandchildren, 44 great grandchildren and daughter in law Amy Cornelius. Wendel's siblings; Betty Stensloff, Carol Smith, Arthur (Beth) Cornelius Jr., and in-laws, Janice (Philip), Willy, Linda, and Stevie.

Wendel was preceded in death by his parents Arthur and Sadie, his stepfather Sherman Cornelius, his son Brad Cornelius, brother Robert Cornelius, and sister Marlene O'Donnell.

Friends may call at Oneida Methodist Church from 9:00AM Monday, June 10, 2024, until time of service at 11:00AM. Ryan Funeral Home, De Pere is assisting

the family.

Special thanks to staff at Crossroads West, Unity, and Heartland Hospices.

SARA M. EISCH

July 5, 1984 - May 22, 2024



Sara Marie Eisch, 39, Oneida, died unexpectedly on May 22, 2024.

She was born on July 5, 1984 to Rita Reiter and Michael Eisch. Sara graduated from Seymour High School.

She had two children, Sienna and Paul, who were her pride and joy. Growing up, Sara loved hanging with her friends, attending pow-wows and going on family camping trips to the lake lot. Sara was a very social person and had many friends. When Sara started her family, she enjoyed her movie night with her children, nieces and nephews. She would always make it eventful. The kids considered their Auntie Sara as the "cool" Auntie. Sara had a special relationship with her siblings, Godson and friends and loved spending time with each of them and their families. She had a kind heart and was always willing to help out when needed.

Prayer from her daughter

You alone are my refuge

My place of safety, you're my beautiful mother
You always will and have been with me since birth

You have always cared for me

I trust you with all my might

You rescued me from every trap,

and protected me from everything there is.

I cry out to you every night,

and your unfailing love and presence

supports me when bad thoughts fill my mind.

Your comfort gives me peace and happiness

You're my place of safety when I'm stressed

You are my rock and fortress

You will forever be my strength,

I will always cling to you and

Your strong hand that holds me securely.

You are my amor and protection everywhere

I go

You will cover me and shelter me with your wings.

Mom, I promise you I will accomplish all my goals that I tell you about. I'll take care

of our family and I will make you proud no matter what the circumstances might be. May your beauty, kindness, giving, love, thankfulness and being the best mom you could be to me, and my baby brother be known throughout the Earth. I will honor you and rejoice in your unconditional love. Your love will endure forever in my heart. Fly high my beautiful angel. -Sincerely, Your First Born-Sienna Pecore.

She is survived by her children, Sienna and Paul Jr., and Kaylissa Pecore, the father of her children, Paul Pecore, Sr., her parents Michael (Jackie) Eisch and Rita (Warren) Reiter, sisters Holly Eisch, Jenna Eisch, Jade Eisch, Nicole Reiter and Erin Reiter, brothers Michael Ness, Kyle (McKenna) Eisch and Bucko (Warren) (Julie) Reiter, step-brothers Seth (Kasey) LaReau and Alex LaReau, 10 nieces, 12 nephews, 3 great-nephews, Grandparents Ervin Ambrosius and Harriet Reiter, numerous Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, Mary Beth Pecore and friends. She was preceded in death by Grandparents Oscar Schuyler Sr., Warren Reiter, Telka Novak, Bob Novak and Yvonne Ambrosius.

Visitation will be held at Ryan Funeral Home on Friday, May 31, 2024 from 9am until 11am. The Oneida Hymn Singers will begin at 10:30am, the service at 11am. Burial to follow at Oneida Sacred Burial Grounds. Ryan Funeral Home is assisting the family.



MARJORIE A. FUNMAKER**March 11, 1936 - May 26, 2024**

Marjorie Ann Funmaker, nee Skenandore (88) was received by the loving arms of her lord on May 26, 2024. Born March 11, 1936, to Walter

and Eva (Metoxen) Skenandore in one of the large Oneida families – a total of 11 siblings - she learned the values of a Christian upbringing, hard work, and family dedication. She held true to those values her entire life. Marge attended local schools and graduated from East High School. She met and married Clyde Ninham and started a family. Tragically, her husband died in an incident and Marge later met and married Wilfred Funmaker. Their family grew to 8 children, and later she added 3 of her grandchildren to raise in her loving care and guidance. As a young adult she moved to Milwaukee during the Relocation era. In the Milwaukee native American community, Marge saw the need for native American youth – especially young women and worked with others to address the gaps in education and services. She was one of the original founding mothers of the Indian Community School with Marjorie Stevens and Darlene Neconish.

Marge returned to Oneida at age 50. She attended UWGB and served the Oneida Nation at Income Maintenance, Housing Authority, and the Oneida Personnel Commission before retiring. If you know Marge, you know how she loved cooking amazing meals for her family and friends, decorating her home, and making creative floral arrangements. If you were fortunate to be in her company, before too long you were embraced in her Joyful laughter. She enjoyed listening to the old-time greats in country music, attending church services, rooting for the Packers, and hitting up the slots or bingo. Most important to her was keeping her family close together and she stayed close with siblings and long held friendships.

Marge is survived by her children; Clyde “Joey” Ninham, Luanne Ninham, Glenn Funmaker, Scott Funmaker, Sandra Fun-

maker, and Stephanie (Duffy) Funmaker, her grandchildren Lorenzo Funmaker, and her twins, Raeanne and Luanne Funmaker. She has 15 additional grandchildren, 37 great grandchildren, and 8 great-great grandchildren. She is further survived by two sisters, Ruth Wagner and Eva Doxtator and special nieces Monica Doxtator and Raeann Skenandore. Her surviving Funmaker brother-in-law is Maynard Funmaker.

Marge was preceded in death by her first husband Clyde Ninham, her 2nd husband Wilfred Funmaker, son Gregory Ninham, daughter Leitha Funmaker, and daughter-in-law Alva Ninham. She is further preceded by her siblings Martha (Peter) King, Emily Skenandore, Thelma (Harold) Keiser, Alice (Harold) Ninham, James (Gwen) Skenandore, Walter Norman Skenandore (Beverly), Ronald Eli (Carol) Skenandore, Lawrence (Anna) Skenandore, Ellsworth Skenandore, Brothers-in-law Lloyd Wagner, and Martin Doxtator. Funmaker in-laws; Perry, Lorenzo, Wayne, Roger, Thurman, Conrad, Daryl, Nathaniel, Carlos, Betty, Carol, Anita, Darlene.

Friends may call at Ryan Funeral Home 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere from 4:00PM – 6:00PM Friday, May 31, 2024. There will be sharing of memories, encouraging words, and singing at 6:00PM followed by a service led by Pastor Joel Cornelius. Burial will take place Saturday June 1st beginning at 10:00AM at the Oneida Assembly of God Cemetery. The family would like to thank staff at the Anna John Nursing Home for their care and devotion. You did an outstanding job in making her comfortable and at peace in her final days.

NATASHA L. HAMILTON**September 17, 1995 - May 19, 2024**

Natasha Lyn Hamilton, 28, gained her angel wings May 19, 2024, with family by her side, due to complications from a recent surgery. Natasha was born

September 17, 1995, in Appleton, WI to Melanie Esser (Ramey) & Willie Lee Hamilton III. Natasha graduated from Syble Hopp in 2017. She then attended Curative Connection before having one on one

care with her caretaker and best friend, Laura Nys.

To Natasha everyday was her birthday or party! She loved Halloween and found every opportunity to dress up and shop for dressing up. She brought life and joy to any event and made sure you knew she was there. "Hi, Tasha's here!", you would hear her say as she entered a room with a giant smile. Natasha idolized Disney and was thrilled to meet all the Disney princesses and characters during her trip to Disney earlier this year.

Natasha left a lasting impression on everyone who had the honor of meeting her. Natasha will be deeply missed by her parents Melanie(Maurice) and Willie, her siblings, Alexandria Ramey, Iyana Ramey, Machai Ramey, Samantha(Eric) Boucher, Tyler(Tara) Clark, Willie Devin Metoxen-Hamilton IV, Kylea Krahler, Makaiah Hansen, Ryan Metoxen-Hamilton, Keyondre Lemerande, David Hamilton, Kiara Lemerande, Sophia Metoxen-Hamilton, her extra family Laura(GaryLee) Nys, Tracy(Travis) Rhode, Trevor(Aubree) Nys, and Jackie Nys, grandparents, aunts, uncles, 6 nieces, 1 nephew, cousins and anyone who knew her.

Family and friends may call to Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth St., De Pere, WI 54115, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 25th, 2024. A Memorial Service will begin at 3:00 p.m. with Rev. James Biegler officiating. Ryan Funeral Home, De Pere, is assisting the family.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Mayo Clinic-St. Mary's and St. Mary's Green Bay, who tended to Natasha. In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in her name.

DARRELL M. JOHN**December 20, 1935 - June 9, 2024**

Darrell Michael John, 88, passed away peacefully at home holding the hands of the two women he loved most in the world, his daughter Lynn, and his love Rose.

Darrell was born in Oneida on December 20, 1935, to the late Noron and Anna (Christjohn) John. He was destined to speak his mind. Darrell grew up in Oneida,

where he went to Seymour High School. After High School, Darrell joined the United States Army, and proudly served in the Korean War. After the Army, Darrell had a long career with and retired from General Motors.

Darrell had a huge heart from supporting charities, loving animals, to supporting and providing for his family. Darrell was a proud dad to four children (who were born from his marriage to the late Marlene Skenandore), eight grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He always showed up with a smile on his face.

Darrell loved life; he did what he wanted, when he wanted, and how he wanted. Always with his heart in his sleeve. Darrell had many passions, which included cars (driving fast), music (classic country to rock n' roll), golf (played 18 holes until he was 86 years old), billiards (no doubt a shark), bike riding (spotted all over Milwaukee), bowling, exercising (a forever gym member), watching sports (Go Brewers, Bucks, and Packers), former Vestry member at church, and of course cracking jokes.

For almost 30 years, Darrell has been with his great love Rose Benson. Rose was truly the Minnie to Darrell's Mickey. Her presence brought him peace, comfort, and happiness until his last moments.

He was preceded in death by his parents Noron and Anna John, five siblings: Carlton "Beaver" John, Darwin John, Brenda Cornelius, Richard "Dickie" John, Emily Palone, stepdaughter Little Diane Hill, and granddaughter Nikki Corbeil.

Darrell is survived by two siblings, Luanne (the late Mark) Simos, and Rosemary John (the late Leon Brisk). Four children, Lynn (Mark) Corbeil, Kirk (Yvonne) John, Michael (Zandra) John, and Bradly John. He is further survived by his many grandchildren: Krystal John, Dakota John, Michael John Jr., Matthew John, Tehya John, Hawkins John, Takoda John, Darrell Hill, and Daraleigh. Special great grandchildren, Landry and Nicolas John, as well as many other friends, family, and loved ones.

Family and friends may pay respects to Darrell at Holy Apostles Church, 2937 Freedom Rd., Oneida, WI., from 9:00AM – 10:45AM on Thursday, June 13, 2024. Oneida Hymn Singers will sing at 10:30AM. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00AM with Fr. James Biegler officiat-

ing. Full military honors will follow at the parish cemetery. Ryan Funeral Home is assisting the family.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Darrell's hospice and care team, the staff at Anna John Nursing Home and Dr. Flood.

MICHAEL J. KING **August 26, 1963 - June 10, 2024**



Michael James King, age 60, passed away on Monday June 10, 2024, at his home in Keshena. Michael was born on August 26, 1963, in Antigo to the late

James and Ruth (Frechette) King. He worked many years as a slot technician at the Oneida and Menominee Casino. On February 10, 1996, Michael was united in marriage to Lori Schlichting. The couple spent a wonderful loving 23 years together before Lori's passing in 2019. He was talented at playing the guitar and made music with his love of his life Lori. Michael was an active lifelong member of the St. Michael Catholic Church in Keshena. He volunteered his time at the church as an altar server, mowing the lawn and anything else that needed to be done at the church. Michael had an eye for photography and would snap a picture when he could. He had skill when it came to technology and would share all the lingo. Michael was a kind, generous person but was never too outspoken. He will be dearly missed by everyone that knew him.

Michael is survived by his siblings, Kathy (Lyle) Tucker and Mark King; siblings-in-law, Julie Schlichting, Kevin (Margaret) Schlichting and Adrian (Verdene) Schlichting; nieces and nephews, Rayna Tucker, Ruthie Tucker, Riley Tucker, Richard Doss, Mindy Miller, Molly Schlichting, Kevin Schlichting, Jr., Malissa Schlichting, Julie Schlichting, Courtney Schlichting, Leah Schlichting, Sequoia Schlichting, Deion Boivin, Heaven Ault and Alexander Lamberies. He is further survived by other relatives and friends.

Michael is preceded in death by his wife, Lori; furry baby, Scrappy; parents, James and Ruth; cousin, Reynold Frechette, Sr.; and parents-in-law, Delbert and Rosetta

Schlichting.

A funeral service for Michael will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday June 15, 2024, at Swedberg Funeral Home with Fr. Hanz Chrisitan officiating. Visitation will be held on Friday June 14, 2024, at the funeral home from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm then again on Saturday from 10:00 am until the time of service. Burial will be held at St. Michaels Catholic Cemetery following the service.

CHRISTINA E. SKENANDORE **June 14, 1964 - June 3, 2024**



Christina Easter Skenandore, 59, passed away late Monday evening, June 3, 2024. The daughter of Vernon and Violet (Williams) Stevens was born June 14,

1964.

Christina, also known as Christine Ester (because "somebody stole the A's!"), was an incredibly giving person. She was a mom to everyone, and everyone was family. She enjoyed going to the casino and playing bingo, but more than anything she loved being a full-time grandma.

She is survived by her sons, Koy (Samantha) and Francis (Melissa); grandchildren Robert, Twyla, Everleigh and Alora; siblings Matilda (Bob) Godfrey, Lila (Randy) Denny, Viola Skenandore and Vernon (Stacy) Skenandore. Christina is further survived by her many nieces, nephews and other extended family members.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Vernon and Violet; daughter, Magan Smith; sister Robin Doyen and other members of her extended family.

Family and friends may visit at Ryan Funeral Home on Friday, June 7, 2024 at 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. A short prayer will take place at 2:00 to begin visitation, followed by the Oneida Hymn Singers from 2:30 to 3:00.



ERNEST STEVENS SR**February 17, 1932 – June 1, 2024**

Ernest Stevens, Sr., Atł·nis, a dedicated advocate for sovereignty, self-determination, self-governance, and Native rights, passed away on

Saturday, June 1, 2024, at the Anna John Resident Centered Care Community facility in Oneida, Wisconsin. Born February 17, 1932, Ernie Stevens, Sr. was a prominent figure in the Indian political activism during the 1960s and 1970s.

A U.S. Marine Corps combat veteran of the Korean War, serving 4 years and earned the rank of Staff Sergeant at 19 years of age. Stevens was recognized for his service and dedication, receiving accolades such as the Korean Unit citation and the Korean Service medal with three battle stars. During his time in Korea, he was part of the well-known conflict, the Frozen Chosen. The Marines who fought there are known as “the chosen few” where nearly 2,500 of the US forces died, some froze to death.

Stevens illustrious and impactful career includes serving in numerous leadership positions, including as Executive Director of the Los Angeles Indian Center, the Institute for Community Anti-Poverty Corporation, the Indian Action Project in Arizona, the Los Angeles Human Rights Commission, and the Inter-Tribal Council of California.

He was recruited to Washington DC by Commissioner Louis Bruce of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, where he held several high-level positions that helped facilitate a systematic change throughout Indian Country. After leaving the Bureau, he was a lobbyist and later the Executive Director of the American Indian Policy Review Commission Study that would change Indian Country forever. He was later confirmed as the first Staff Director of the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs. While serving in DC, Ernie was also elected by the national leadership as the First Vice-President to the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI). Whether through his leadership roles in various organizations or his involvement

in policymaking at the national level, Ernie Stevens, Sr. was a driving force for change and progress in Indian Country.

Coming from humble beginnings, Stevens, Sr. began a profound rise to national recognition at a time of great change in Indian Country. He remained a charismatic figure to many tribes, Indian leaders, and Indian people, particularly in Arizona, where his early professional years left a significant imprint. He held a bachelor’s degree in business economics from Mount Scenario College and a Community Fellows Program certification from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Upon his return to the Oneida Community, he served in several capacities, such as Councilman on the Oneida Business Committee and Senior Manager of the Development Division, local and national consultant, and small business owner. He always pushed for and supported for tribal enterprise and individual business owners. Some of his most important projects were the tobacco enterprise, land acquisition, home ownership, to name a few. If you asked him personally, he would credit the people he worked with on these projects.

He was a visionary leader, a devoted advocate, and a beloved community member. Ernie Stevens, Sr.’s indelible mark on Indian Country, will forever be remembered and cherished by all whose lives he touched. He left a lasting imprint on those he encountered.

Ernie Sr. leaves a legacy with his surviving children, Kelly (Shelly) Stevens of Oneida; Ernie (Cheryl) Stevens, Jr. of Oneida; Mike (Tommi) Stevens of New Town, ND; Toni (Doug) House of Oneida; David Stevens of Appleton; Pamela Stevens of Milwaukee; Jennifer Stevens of Milwaukee. He is preceded in death by the love of his life, his wife Patricia, his mother Maria Hinton a community icon, and son Coleman. He is also survived by 24 grandchildren: Paul, Shakira, Anastasia, Natasha, Kelly Jr., Coleman, Vernon, Brandon, Ernest III, Margaret, Maria, Lois, Michael Paul, Thomas, William, Bernadine, Victor, Cole, Jasmine, Jessica, Conrad Jr., Justin, Alayna, and David. He is also survived by 36 great grandchildren.

A big thank you to the Anna John Resident Centered Care Community facility staff for taking so good care of Ernie during

his time there. They have become an extension of Ernie’s giant family. We thank them from the bottom of our hearts for their kind, caring love for Ernie.

Thank you to the Oneida community for your support and love for Ernie Stevens, Sr. The family could not do this without you. His dream for the Oneida Community was always one of economic diversity, tribal tradition, a strong land base, and education for all. We are living his dream and it is up to each of us to carry it forward for the next seven generations.



Scan for full Ernest Stevens Sr obituary

I'm Free

by Shannon Lee Moseley

**Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following paths God made for me.
I took his hand I heard him call;
Then turned, and bid farewell to all.**

**I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to sing, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way;
I found my peace.**

**If my parting left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.**

**Be not burdened with sorrow,
look for the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I've savored much;
Good friends, good times A loved one's touch.**

**Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;
Don't lengthen it now with grief.
Lift up your heart and peace to thee,
God wants me now - He set me free.**





2024 SPECIAL ELECTION
Saturday, July 20, 2024
7am-7pm

Sample Ballot
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 N7125 Seminary Rd.
 Oneida, WI 54155

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2024 General Welfare Assistance Payments

- ◆ Oneida Nation Assistance Fund (\$1500.00/ 18+) (\$2000.00/ 62+)
- ◆ Elder Assistance Program (703.54/ 65+)
- ◆ Food Assistance Program (\$500.00)

Application deadline
Sept. 6th, 2024 4:30 pm CST

Applications can be submitted online, in-person, or by mail.

Paper applications were mailed in late June 2024
 If you do not receive yours by the end July, please contact the Trust Enrollment Department.

Oneida Trust Enrollment Department
 PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155-0365
 (920) 869-6200 ♦ 800-571-9902
 No Mailbox. In person or courier delivery only (Fed Ex, UPS)
 210 Elm St, Oneida WI 54155

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Setting Time and Notice to Interested Parties

The following estates are being prepared for probate by the Oneida Nation, Land Commission Hearing Body.

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 Rita May Summers, Case No. 2023 LCP 0004

1. An application for probate was filed.
2. The decedent with a date of birth of 11/26/1929 and date of death 08/06/2023, was an Oneida Nation member, domiciled on the Oneida Reservation at 2892 Commissioner St, Oneida, WI 54155.
3. **The deadline to submit claims was 07/14/2024**
4. All interested persons are hereby noticed.

In the Matter of the Estate of Arlene Virginia Summers, Case No. 2024 LCP 0001

1. An application for probate was filed.
2. The decedent with a date of birth of 06/06/1934 and date of death 12/13/2023, was an Oneida Nation member, domiciled on the Oneida Reservation at 3772 N Countyline Rd, Oneida, WI 54155.
3. **The deadline to submit claims was 07/14/2024**
4. All interested persons are hereby noticed.

In the Matter of the Estate of Shirley Mae Hill, Case No. 2024 LCP 0002

1. An application for probate was filed.
2. The decedent with a date of birth of 05/13/1934 and date of death 10/22/2023, was an Oneida Nation member, domiciled on the Oneida Reservation at 2928 Commissioner St, Oneida, WI 54155.
3. **The deadline to submit claims was 07/14/2024**
4. All interested persons are hereby noticed.

In the Matter of the Estate of Louis Tony Delgado, Case No. 2024 LCP 0003

1. An application for probate was filed.
2. The decedent with a date of birth of 08/01/1949 and date of death 10/15/2019, was an Oneida Nation member, domiciled off of the Oneida Reservation at 361 Herrick Rd., Riverside, IL 60546.
3. **The deadline to submit claims was 08/16/2024**
5. All interested persons are hereby noticed.

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETING

TO BE HELD July 11, 2024, 5-6pm

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

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

Real Property Law Rule No. 2 - CHD Residential Sales

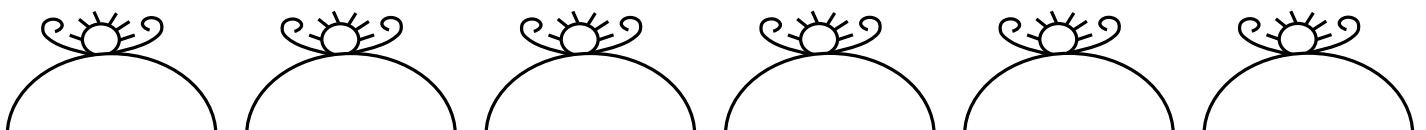
- ◆ Change Real Property Law Rule No. 2 to Rule No. 1
- ◆ Replacing the selection process from a highest qualified offer process to a lottery draw process such that homes will continue to be listed for the appraised value, but buyers will no longer be able to bid over appraised value to gain a competitive 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 oneida-nsn.gov/Register/PublicMeetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPEN UNTIL JULY 19, 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**



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

VEHICLE DRIVER CERTIFICATION AND FLEET MANAGEMENT LAW AMENDMENTS

The purpose of the purpose of the Vehicle Driver Certification and Fleet Management law is to establish standards that certify employees, elected and appointed officials, and volunteers to drive a fleet vehicle or personal vehicle on official business and regulate the use of all vehicles owned and leased by the Nation

The Vehicle Driver Certification and Fleet Management law amendments will:

- ◆ Remove the responsibility of the Fleet Management Department to purchase fleet vehicles from section 210.6-1 of the Law.

Individuals may attend the public meeting for the proposed Vehicle Driver Certification and Fleet Management 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 MONDAY, JULY 22, 2024

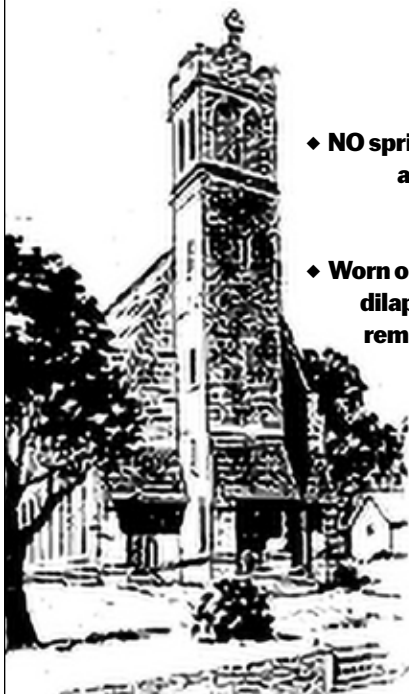
During the public comment period, anyone may submit written comments, questions or input. Comments may be submitted to the Oneida Nation Secretary's Office or the Legislative Reference Office in person, by U.S. mail, interoffice mail, or e-mail.



Scan for more information on the proposed Vehicle Driver Certification and Fleet Management law amendments

Church of the Holy Apostles

These Rules and Regulations were approved July 11, 2018 and remain in effect today.



◆ **NO sprinkling of cremation ashes will be allowed**

◆ **Worn out, faded, otherwise dilapidated items will be removed without notice**

◆ **Cemetery will be closed from dusk to dawn no personal vehicles allowed during this time**

Floral Displays

- ◆ ONLY metal or plastic containers at ground level, next to the monument shall be used for fresh cut or artificial flowers
- ◆ Live/fresh cut flowers to be removed after two (2) weeks
- ◆ One (1) shepherd's hook per grave site for hanging basket

Monuments/Headstones

- ◆ Must be made of marble, granite, fiberglass, or bronze. Replace wooden markers before they deteriorate.

ITEMS PROHIBITED

- ◆ Planting of any trees, shrubs, perennials
- ◆ Snowmobiles, ATVs, cross country, cycles, dirt bikes
- ◆ Alcoholic beverages or any other glass containers or glass items
- ◆ Enclosures of any kind around grave sites (e.g. fences)
- ◆ Decorative stones, yard decorations (signs, solar lights, planters, toys, pinwheels, balloons and the like) if deemed dangerous for lawn equipment
- ◆ Any unusual markers, decorations must be pre-approved






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ONEIDA DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

SURVIVOR ADVOCACY:

- EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
- CULTURALLY BASED ACTIVITIES
- HEALING CIRCLE/WOMENS GROUP
- SAFETY PLANNING
- REFERRALS

COMMUNITY/YOUTH ADVOCACY:

- GIRLS/BOYS GROUP
- DRUG & ALCOHOL PREVENTION
- CULTURE
- ARTS & CRAFTS
- TEEN DATING



CONTACT US: 490-3700

ONEIDA HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION

RESOURCE FAIR

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3PM-6PM

ONEIDA HOTEL WOLF ROOM

WIN! RAFFLE PRIZES EVERY HOUR! MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!

DISCOVER THE ARRAY OF PROGRAMS, SERVICES, AND WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION.




Maternal Child Health Services

A **FREE** program that assists pregnant families with obtaining services in the following areas

- ◆ Prenatal/Baby Care Items
- ◆ PNCC Program Referrals
- ◆ Various Education
- ◆ Transportation
- ◆ Health Insurance And More...

Contact Maternal Child Health Worker
Makenit Gutierrez

920.655.2146
Available Monday - Friday
8am - 3pm



KA'NI KUHLI:YO FAMILY CENTER

Children's Center
NOW OPEN

We offer:

- ✔ **FREE** on-site childcare for families utilizing the Ka'ni Kuhli:yo Family Center for appointments, clinics and fitness center use only. (Behavioral Health, Economic Support, Family Services, Fitness Center, Child Support)
- ✔ For ages 0 - 12 years, maximum of 2 hours.
- ✔ The Children's Center is available Monday - Friday
8:15am - 12:00pm
1:00pm - 4:00pm



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W923 Van Court, Oneida WI 54155

Contact: Holly 920.646.2488 to set up an appointment for viewing.

- 3 Bedroom**
- 2 Full Bath**
- 2.35 Acre Lot**
- 3 Stall Attached Garage**

Year Built: 2002
 Land Status: Oneida Tribal Lease
 County: Outagamie
 School District: Oneida and Seymour
 Tax District: Town of Oneida
 Parcel # 170140708

Purchasers are subject to residential Lease with the Oneida Nation Comprehensive Housing Division, the 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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SUMMER STRONG
ONEIDA LAKE
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JULY 17TH | 4-6 p.m.

- Kayaking with Oneida Adventures
 Guarantee a Spot- Contact Mark Steinbach!
 (920) 490-3846 or msteinba@oneidanation.org
- Stem Craft brought to you by
 UWGB Camps & Einstein Project.
- Receive a punch on your 2024 JMIO Punch Card
- Buffalo Snack Sticks from the
 Oneida Nation Farm.
 (while supplies last)

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





Upcoming Events

Universal Consulting Solutions believes in a holistic approach to professional and personal development. Our methodology includes a strong focus on enhancing self-awareness through personalized assessments and understanding the importance of wellness integration. The combination fosters leadership, organizational effectiveness, and overall well-being. Our services are designed to promote growth, innovation, and a balanced life.

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| <p>Business Consulting Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">  Strategic Planning  Leadership Development  Organizational Development  Facilitation & Training  Professional Development  Transformational Coaching | <p>Emotional Intelligence Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance self-awareness & social regulation Improve interpersonal skills & empathy Strengthen leadership & team dynamics Foster resilience & stress management <p>Wellness Integration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mind, body, spirit practices Health & well-being coaching Meditation instruction Personal purpose statement development |
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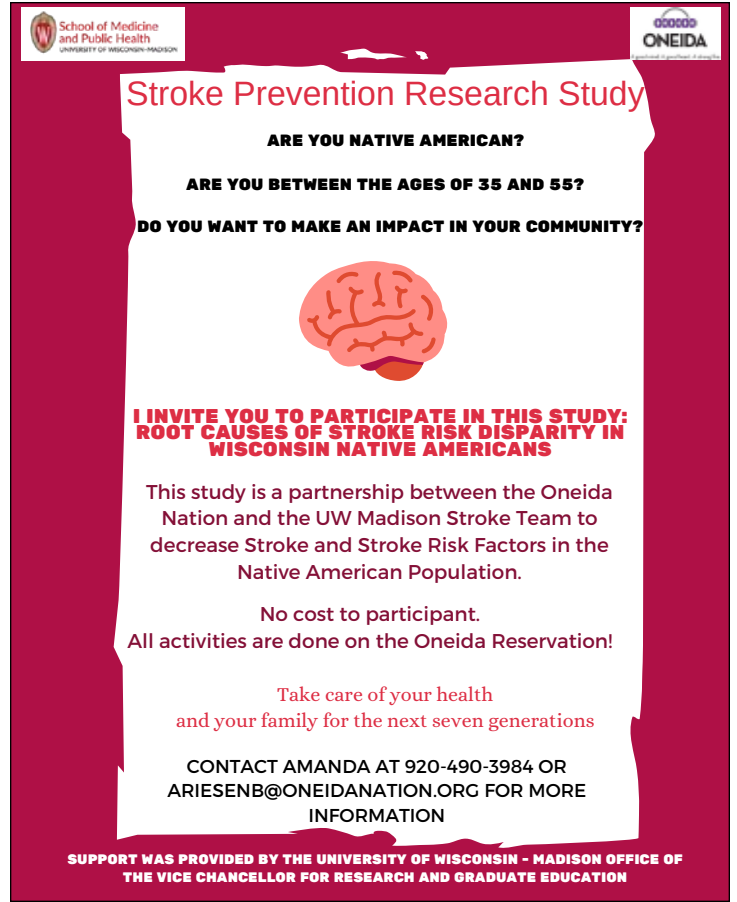
Foraging with Randy Cornelius

Come join us as we walk on the Norbert Hill Center trails, discovering what grows and is edible to eat in nature.

JULY 23, 2024
5:30-7:30 PM
Norbert Hill Center
North parking Lot

Registration Required. Limited to 20 participants.

Contact Amanda Riesenber,
Stroke Prevention Wellness Coach to register
Call 920-490-3984 or Email ariesenb@oneidanation.org



Stroke Prevention Research Study

ARE YOU NATIVE AMERICAN?

ARE YOU BETWEEN THE AGES OF 35 AND 55?

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE AN IMPACT IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

I INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS STUDY: ROOT CAUSES OF STROKE RISK DISPARITY IN WISCONSIN NATIVE AMERICANS

This study is a partnership between the Oneida Nation and the UW Madison Stroke Team to decrease Stroke and Stroke Risk Factors in the Native American Population.

No cost to participant.
All activities are done on the Oneida Reservation!

Take care of your health
and your family for the next seven generations

CONTACT AMANDA AT 920-490-3984 OR
ARIESENB@ONEIDANATION.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION

SUPPORT WAS PROVIDED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - MADISON OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR FOR RESEARCH AND GRADUATE EDUCATION

COME JOIN US!!

Walk with a Doc

Time: 12:10-12:45 pm
Location: Oneida Health Center Front Entrance

Come join us on the 1st Wednesday of each month as we walk, talk, and learn about an important wellness topic!
No registration required.
Giveaways each month (while supplies last).

Monthly Topics

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| <p>May 1</p> <p>Mental Health Dr. Christine Garstka Psychologist Oneida Behavioral Health</p> | <p>June 5</p> <p>All Things Summer and Child Safety Dr. Karen Lane General Pediatrics Oneida Medical Director</p> |
| <p>July 3</p> <p>Stress Management Katie Farley Nurse Practitioner Oneida Behavioral Health</p> | <p>August 7</p> <p>Pain of Opioids: Rising Above Rachel Seegers Scott Lalonde Counselors Oneida Behavioral Health</p> |
| <p>September 4</p> <p>Diabetic Health Lauren Cornette Nurse Practitioner Oneida Diabetes Program</p> | <p>October 2</p> <p>Nutrition Brianna Grosso Maria Boeck Registered Dietitian Oneida WIC/Nutrition</p> |


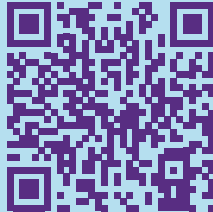
For more information or questions contact
Amanda Riesenber, Stroke Prevention Wellness Coach

525 Airport Rd. Oneida, WI | 920-490-3984 | ariesenb@oneidanation.org

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FRIDAY, JULY 26 - SUNDAY, JULY 28 • 10AM-10PM

WIN UP TO \$500 FREE PLAY • 10,000 WINNERS

Play your favorite slots for the chance to win. Prizes automatically issued to winners' accounts. Win multiple times.

| Point Levels | Free Play Prizes |
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| 0 | \$0 |
| 10 | \$5 \$10 |
| 30 | \$5 \$10 \$20 |
| 50 | \$5 \$10 \$20 \$30 |
| 100 | \$5 \$10 \$20 \$30 \$50 |
| 250 | \$5 \$10 \$20 \$40 \$50 \$75 |
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WIN \$100 FREE PLAY UP TO 6X PER DAY

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\$5,000 BONUS DRAWING

100 WINNERS OF \$50 FREE PLAY

Earn 1 drawing ticket for ever 30 points earned playing slots, table games, bingo, and poker. Winners will be notified by mail.

Drawing held Monday, July 29, 2024. One prize per member. Need not be present to win. Winners notified by mail.




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