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## ONEIDA ACKNOWLEDGES INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY with Tobacco Burning Ceremony



Photos courtesy by Garth Webster



Vice-Chairman Brandon Yellowbird-Stevens facilitated the events of Monday morning, October 9, 2023 to honor Indigenous Peoples Day. Says Oneida Chairman Tehassi regarding the significance of the ceremony, "This morning we held a ceremony to honor Indigenous Peoples Day. Remembering what our ancestors endured so that our way of life could continue. Honoring our young people for their resilience to sustain our nation into the future."

Also on hand were many dignitaries from all levels of state government, Governor Tony Evers, Jennifer Garner for Senator Baldwin's office, state Senator Cowles, state Representative Goben, Outagamie county Executive Tom Nelson. Yawáko Sonny Hill and Artley Skenandore for the tobacco burning and explanation. Lori Bankson, Animal Curator at the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary in Green Bay, provided a rehabilitated Redtail Hawk, which Governor Tony Evers had the privilege to release back into the wild.

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# BUSINESS COMMITTEE FORUM



Shekoli Swakweku,

It is my hope that this message finds you well. With the fall season all well underway, let us all be mindful of the changing season and what that means to us as Ukwehenwe. Change is good and allows for new beginnings. We as a nation have so much to be grateful for and it would be my hope that you all try to keep that in the forefront of your mind in your daily journey.

As I start my third term as Chairman for Oneida Nation, I would like to extend gratitude and appreciation to the membership for the trust you have put into not only myself, but the Oneida Business Committee as well, to govern the Nation. My position is one that I have never taken lightly and vow to continue serving my nation and membership to the best of my ability every day.

In late August 2023, the Oneida Business Committee bid a farewell and best wishes to outgoing Councilmember, Treasurer Cristina Danforth, and Councilmembers Marie Cornelius, David Jordan, and Daniel Guzman King. I have nothing but respect for each and every one of them, as they each sacrificed their time and energy to ensure the nation continued on a forward path, during the pandemic and all the challenges that came along with that over the last term. Yawłkó for your service to the nation.

The 2023 – 2026 Oneida Business Committee was administered our oath of office on August 25, 2023; welcoming back Vice Chairman Brandon Yellowbird Stevens, Secretary Lisa Liggins and Councilmember Jenny Webster and Councilmember Kirby Metoxen. We welcomed Treasurer Larry Barton, and newly elected Councilmembers, Jameson Wilson, Marlon Skenandore, and Jonas Hill.

The first few months in office have been busy, but productive to say the least. We as a committee started the new term on a strong foundation of learning and team building, with a week of Nation Building, followed by a week of Strategic planning. According to the Native Nations Institute - Native Nation Building is the process by which a Native Nation strengthens its own capacity for effective and culturally relevant self-government and for self-determined and sustainable community development. We focused on five very important fundamentals of Nation Building:

- Transformational Leadership
- Strong-governing Systems
- Strategic Outlook
- Cultural Relevancy
- Sovereignty

The Business Committee, our Political Appointees, and Oneida Leadership started our Nation Building week by completing individual DISC and 12 Driving Forces assessments, as well as an Emotional Intelligence assessment. I received a lot of positive feedback from Oneida leadership and was told by several that the opportunity to work this closely with the Business Committee while they created their strategic goals for the term was appreciated.

I am hopeful that the hard work and time we put in those two weeks will have a positive approach to team and consensus building moving forward. The Oneida Business Committee will be presenting its strategic plan to the organization and community in the near future, so please keep a watch out for that information to learn more about our goals and initiatives for the 2023 – 2026 term.

As always,

Yawłkó· Be well and treat one another well.

Sa nikuhlatsa-niht (You have a strong mind)

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tehassi tasi Hill".

Tehassi tasi Hill, Chairman  
Oneida Nation

# LYLE BURMEISTER-TREE PLANTER FOR LIFE, 2.4 MILLION STRONG AND STILL GOING



**By Sarah Madden**

*Kalihwisaks Contributing Writer*

Have you ever driven passed Hidden Valley Driving Range on W Mason St, heading towards the Turtle Roundabout in Oneida, and marveled at the majestic trees that grace the right side of the valley? On October 3, 2023, I had the privilege of meeting the tree planter behind this captivating landscape, Lyle Burmeister.

Burmeister recounted his first tree planting job within Oneida during the late 80's. It was located just west of the Oneida Apple Orchard and Hidden Valley Driving Range. Initially, he started the job as his brother's helper, but his brother decided to pursue a different career, while Burmeister remained steadfast in his commitment to tree planting.

Over the years, he has further contributed to afforestation efforts in the Oneida area, as well as throughout Wisconsin. His most notable plantings

are the Fish Creek Reforestation Area, Seminary Road, end of Mullein Road, and the corner of Reformatory and Olson Road. He has planted an array of species, including White and Red Pine, Spruce, Silver, Red Maple, White Birch, Red and White Oak, Bur, Swamp, River Birch, Yellow Birch, Cherry, and Basswood.

In an enthusiastic manner, Burmeister discussed a new tree he

recently began planting in this area, the Sycamore. After researching this species, he discovered that the Sycamore has the capability to withstand Wisconsin winters, evidenced by the tree's natural habitat, extending from the eastern coast of the United States north to Quebec, Canada. He remarked, "They seem to be a really hardy tree that can withstand the cold."

The recently planted Sycamore and pine trees can be observed at the intersection of Reformatory and Olson Road. Burmeister explains the purpose of these trees will be for sequestering carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and storing carbon in the trees and into the soil, thereby contributing to enhanced air and groundwater quality within the community, stating, "This is one of the main reasons I plant trees."

In all, Burmeister has planted trees in 17 counties. He claims not to have a favorite place to plant, humbly explaining, "When I go for a Sunday drive with my Wife, I say, oh yeah, that one looks pretty nice now." He adds, "I've planted 2.4 million trees already. My legacy was to get to 2 million and I'm way over that, I'm going to keep planting for as long as I can."



# SUPERINTENDENT VISITS ONEIDA COMMUNITY



Photos courtesy by Garth Webster

Board of Education Trustees Nancy Welch and Laura Laitinen-Warren, CEC instructor Elizabeth Sauer-Pries, Hodazha-Maniwinga Pidgeon, Jean Webster, Dr. Claude Tiller, Jr., Oneida Councilman Jameson Wilson, and Oneida Treasurer, Larry Barton.

## By Garth Webster

*Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

Oneida welcomed Dr. Claude Tiller, Jr., who recently became the Green Bay Area Public School District Superintendent in July 2023, to tour the Oneida Nation and its resources, including a community question & answer session at the Career Education Center on Thursday, September 21, 2023.

Tiller began the Q&A session by explaining his mindset as Superintendent, and proclaiming, "This is a people business. You have to honor the individual cultures and to understand them, you have to get out and meet people." Thus, this was the goal Tiller had in mind by meeting with the Oneida people. He continued further by saying, "You have to give honor to the people in front of you that you're teaching."

Tiller received a Bachelor's Degree from the Univ. of Michigan, a Master's of Education from Bowling Green State Univ. in Ohio, an Education Specialist Degree from Wayne State Univ. in Detroit and finally, a Doctorate

of Education from American College of Education in Indiana. His academic achievements prepared him to become the Assistant Superintendent over high school transformation with the Detroit Public School Community District in Detroit, MI. Prior to this, he served as school improvement grant facilitator and monitor for the School Improvement Support Unit for the State of Michigan.

Tiller fielded an array of questions from Oneida Community members on an unusually warm September 2023 afternoon. Questions about

how Oneida students are still being confronted with discrimination, Tiller responded, "You're talking to the first African American Superintendent." He continued by discussing about how he's striving for discrimination not to happen on his watch by putting his faculty through the appropriate training and taking the time to directly address this type of behavior in his school systems. Another key discussion topic was regarding the Oneida language being integrated into current curriculums. He was very open to this, stating, "Bring the curriculum and certified teachers to my office and we'll make it happen."

Other topics included Summer Slide, or in other words, the loss of academic momentum while students are on summer vacation. Part of Tiller's solution is to enhance and create more opportunity for students to attend summer school.



# METOXEN, Oasis Senior Advisors, Connecting the Dots for Elderly



Photo courtesy by Matt Metoxen

**By Garth Webster**

*Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

Matt Metoxen is the owner/operator and Certified Senior Advisor for Oasis Senior Advisors of Green Bay (OSAGB), which he's been running from his home in Ripon, WI since July 2023.

Before starting OSAGB, Metoxen double-majored at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and Public Administration in the year 2000. Later, he continued his education by acquiring a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Oshkosh in 2005. His education propelled him into a US Department of Education position in Washington, DC and most recently ended a seven year stint as a Sales and Project Manager for a Wisconsin-based LED lighting company. Over time, however, Metoxen began to disagree with the direction of the company and thus, started looking for a new career. It was his experience during a family emergency where he would find inspiration for his next chapter.

During my interview with Metoxen, he shared with me with how difficult it was to go through a troubled time with his immediate family during the onset of the pandemic. Unfortunately, he quickly discovered there was no one there to help them navigate a maze of resources. On the other side, though, perhaps it was a blessing in disguise because during this experience, he learned how important it is for his fulfillment in life to help others, as he metaphorically explained, "Connect the dots." He went on to explain that, essentially, he acts as a conduit for elderly and their families in securing assisted living, financial resources, and legal services such as wills, etc. Coupled with his own family's lesson in resilience, he also finds inspiration from his grandfather, who rose above poverty to begin his own business that still thrives today. Metoxen explains how his grandpa loved to tell stories and in turn, how he (Matt) began to love hearing the stories of people's lives and discover how fascinating they are. It was the story of how his grandpa eventually had to move into assisted living in 2016 that further solidified his new career choice.

Metoxen's previous work and education honed his skills to help seniors and families during what can be challenging times. "I want them to know that they're not alone. When they have trying times, it's not uncommon, and there are resources for them. If we can make someone's transition period a little easier, that's what we'll do. Typically, no one comes to us when they're having a good day but hopefully, I can help make that day a little easier." Learn more about Matt Metoxen at [OasisSeniorAdvisors.com/Green-Bay](https://OasisSeniorAdvisors.com/Green-Bay) or call 920.600.9797.



# ONEIDA RETAIL DONATES TO FOX WOLF WATERSHED ALLIANCE



**By Phil Wisneski**  
Asst Mgr-General Business-  
Retail Admin

Oneida Retail's category manager, Taylor Oudenhoven knew that the Oneida branded water is a big seller in Oneida One Stops and Smoke Shops, but he was also aware of the impact that water bottles have on the environment. Taylor took the initiative to come up with a plan to help offset that impact by donating a portion of the sales from each water bottle to a local water advocacy group. This past year, that group was the Fox Wolf Watershed Alliance (FWWA). Last month, Oneida Retail

presented a check in the amount of \$4,557.17 to the alliance to help keep the waters in and around the Oneida Reservation clean. The check presentation occurred at the Oneida One Stop – Larsen and Jessica Schultz, Executive Director along with Katie Woodrow, Lower Fox River Program Director, were on hand to receive the donation.

FWWA is an independent nonprofit organization that identifies issues and advocates effective policies and actions that protect, restore, and sustain water resources in the Fox-Wolf River Basin.



# COMMUNITY ADVOCACY LEADING the Charge Against Domestic Violence



Photos courtesy by Garth Webster

**By Garth Webster**

*Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

Jennifer Steffens and Cassandra Cooney from the Oneida Yonkhalio Community Advocacy Department led the charge to create awareness about domestic violence Thursday, October 5, 2023 by organizing a community walk.

The slightly chilly and rainy weather could not dampen the spirits of the participants as they gathered at the Three Sisters Community Building to begin the 1.2 mile walk to Ka'nikuhli-Yo Family Center at Oneida Social Services. For those that weren't able to walk, shuttles provided rides to and from the event venues.

Upon arrival at Oneida Social Services, attendees took part in a free dinner while enjoying presentations from guest speakers Rachel Fernandez, Maeqtetuahkihiw Metaemohsad, Woodland Women followed by LCO Ojibwe Elder and Language Teacher, Valerie Barber and finally, Jeremy NeVilles-Sorell discussing Mending the Sacred Hoop. We would also like to share our appreciation for Miss Oneida, Kaylee Schuyler, the Oneida and Green Bay Police Departments, Deb Leclair, Laurie Becker, Jennifer Berg-Hargrove and Louise Padron for MCing the event.

Community Advocacy inspires Native People to engage in healthy life choices, promoting total wellness for the next seven generations. Says Steffens regarding the event, "Creating awareness about Domestic Violence is a critically important issue to ensuring our community to acknowledge, heal from, and move forward in a good way." Learn more about Community Advocacy on their website:

<https://oneida-nsn.gov/resources/child-family-services/domestic-violence-program>



# Safe Shelter Continues its Mission



Photo courtesy by Garth Webster

**By Garth Webster**

*Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

Safe Shelter has been in operation since November 2021 and was first introduced to the Kalihwisaks readership in the June 15, 2022 edition, which cited that inflation was at 8.3% and by the end of that month, it peaked at 9.1%. Currently, the inflation rate has decreased to 3.7%. Nevertheless, the aggregate effect the current and historical rates of inflation have had on the cost of living is continuing its detrimental effect on the ability of those less fortunate to secure housing. A two bedroom rental was around \$924 as of April 2022. Currently, according to Rent.com, a two bedroom rental in the Green Bay area averages \$1,167. US Census data from the Green Bay area reveals that the living wage for a family of four (two adults and two children) is \$36.68. For a family of four, this living salary, assuming a family has a wage earner capable to earn this amount, or both of them combining to make this, are using roughly 25% of their income just to pay for housing, pushing the boundaries of the 28% that most lenders recommend.

Pearl Webster, Safe Shelter (SS) Executive Director, points out that these data points reaffirm why SS prioritizes family more than individuals because the majority of the SS families have a single wage earner making between

\$15 and \$17 per hour. Beyond the data, though, Webster says, "Taking one look into the eyes of the children in these circumstances is my daily motivation." Webster goes on by explaining that providing a roof over these children is a bandaid. The more sustainable solution is working with the adults to help them become the best versions of themselves.

SS provides the standard programs in partnerships with other shelters, AODA counseling, recovery coaching, employment assistance, housing referral and support, budgeting, daily living activities, parenting and other life-skills training. Beyond the standards, Webster strives to offer as many cultural education and practices that are available from the community and that currently, an entire curriculum is being developed.

In addition to being the strategic leader, Webster is also the Operations Manager, Public Relations, Marketing, and Special Events Coordinator for SS. Wearing all these hats is incredibly difficult, as she says when asked if there are any upcoming special events, "Unfortunately, no. These 1.5 years has been exhausting just keeping our feet on the ground. Funding has been a struggle due to being an entity below the all-important two-years-in-operation threshold, which is the magic number to qualify for most grants. We're excited to turn two this November so I'm optimistic this will mean new funding sources." Aside from the daily operations, another recently important topic, as noted above, is public relations regarding the roles and responsibilities she upholds to her Oneida community.

Webster says, "Through no fault of their own, many, including the Oneida Community, have a lack of knowledge about SS and the circumstances we're under to serve Oneida's homeless." Webster has been tracking the ethnicity of SS residents. Currently, 50 of the residents are Indigenous. However, because it's prohibited to track, or even ask about specific tribal affiliation due to funding regulations, it's unknown how many are Oneida or Oneida descendants. Off the record, though, Webster knows that a large percentage of the Indigenous residents have some Oneida lineage.

As Webster continues SS' vision and mission from week-to-week and hopefully, year-to-year, to end homelessness, she wants to emphasize to everyone to keep in mind the lessons of the Great Law, or whatever way of life you follow, to exercise compassion and caring and to know that most residents are not lazy or don't work. It's also important,

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# ONEIDA VFW ESCORTS VETERANS RETURNING FROM HONOR FLIGHT



Photos courtesy by Garth Webster

**By Garth Webster**

*Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

The 71st Mission of the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight, which honors WWII, Korean War and Vietnam Veterans from Wisconsin by providing a completely free trip to all the war memorials in Washington D.C., returned the participants around 8:30pm, Saturday, October 7, 2023 to Austin Straubel Airport in Green Bay, WI.

Upon their return, the Oneida Robert Cornelius VFW Post 7784 escorted the returning veterans through the airport concourse surrounded by cheering friends, family, media, and anyone who simply wanted to show their appreciation for the sacrifices these brave warriors made.

This year's Honor Flight was made especially unique with a special designation, "Flight of Champions" as staff and alumni from the Green Bay



Packers, the Milwaukee Bucks, and the Milwaukee Brewers were on both the flights out of Green Bay and Milwaukee.

Top, members of the Robert Cornelius VFW post 7784 and Oneida Women's Auxiliary, have a group photo taken with one of the Honor Flight Coordinators. Below, Oneida Leads the returning Veterans through the airport while they also shake the hands to honor the returning Veterans.



# CLEVELAND MAKES HER DEBUT ON SILVER SCREEN



Photos courtesy by Memphis Cleveland

**By Garth Webster**

*Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

Memphis Cleveland, Ho-Chunck/Meskwaki/Oneida, the daughter of Michelle Greendeer and Stepfather, Lance Rave, was 20 years old and hard at work studying for a Bachelor's Degree in the Media field in 2021 when she suddenly lost her Grandfather, George Greendeer. It was a very difficult time for Memphis, but as she would soon discover, it was also a very exciting time.

In April 2021 Cleveland's friends recommended she respond to a casting call, which at that time, seemed to be a very-under-the-radar movie. She wasn't sure what it was about, but she took her friends advice. The casting call requested Indigenous actors who were able to ride horses. Cleveland mentions, "It was perfect because I have been involved with horses my entire life." She went on to explain that even today, she lives with her mother in Black River Falls helping to run a horse-boarding facility called Sweetgrass Stables. Although she

was still in school, she realized what a great opportunity this was. With her mother's support, she packed up and went to Oklahoma to try out. After the auditions, she came back home and waited for a phone call.

A casting agent mentioned all the A-listers, Marten Scorsese, Leonardo

DiCaprio, and Robert Di Nero, as he gave her the bad news first, "We're not looking for horseback riders for this movie." Cleveland thought, "Well, I guess this isn't for me, then." Then, the casting agent delivered the good news, "We love your look so much that we still want you to try out for BG (Background) roles anyway." Long story short, Cleveland once again packed up for an acting adventure she'll remember for a lifetime.

Principal shooting for *Killers of The Flower Moon*© began in April 2021 and Cleveland was ready. She was so ready that, despite not being able to find living quarters near the Oklahoma set due to all the local hotels being booked, Cleveland, as resourceful as any, made one of her horse-trailers her home for the next six months.

Although none of her roles were spoken, Cleveland played in a multitude of roles ranging from a young wealthy Osage to a young



Traditional Osage woman. In total, it was 15 different roles she would play. As she did so, she recalls how the Creator put her on this path, “It was meant to be. During my time on set, I learned so much about the movie-making world and more importantly, how I can apply it to my future endeavors.” Belle goes on to describe how she eventually wants to pursue a career in Journalism and Public Relations, which she previously studying, as well as be a leader in Tribal Advocacy.

When she lost her grandpa, despite temporarily foregoing her studies to take advantage of this acting opportunity, she channeled her energy in a good way with resounding success. After the filming was complete, she came back home to help her family once again at Sweetgrass Stables. Since being home, she has also been in other acting roles, including parts in season two and three of *Reservation Dogs*, and most recently, is playing a part in *Meet Me By the Creek*, a documentary being filmed in Oklahoma about protecting waterways, which will debut in 2024. She has also started school again at Western Tech studying for her Associate Degree in Liberal Arts with aspirations to continue her education in Diversity and Equity Inclusion.

During *Killers of the Flower Moon*®, she took great satisfaction in how the entire cast and crew were so respectful of Indigenous culture. As someone who lives the traditional Ho-Chunk way, it reaffirmed and heightened her sense of community and the value of her culture. The sky is the limit for Memphis, who has good advice for anyone looking for their path in life, “Don’t be afraid to be vulnerable. Don’t be afraid to be wrong. If you don’t know, ask questions.” *Killers of the Flower Moon*® began showing October 19, 2023. Look for it, and watch for Memphis’ appearances, in a theater near you.

Look for a review of the movie from contributing write, Leon Webster, on page 35.



# DENNY, 2023 Triton Hall of Fame Inductee



Left to right: Paul Denny, Tom Lemorande, Bettie Denny (mom) and Jerry Denny (dad)

## By Triton Hall of Fame

The Triton Hall of Fame (THOF) celebration, established in 2018, held its annual induction ceremony on Saturday, September 30, 2023 at St. Norbert College to honor the graduates of Green Bay's premier Catholic high schools for achievements in careers, in athletics and in life.

Says the President of Notre Dame Academy, Thomas J. Kiely, about the THOF, "Each year it is our pleasure and privilege to recognize those distinguished by their classmates and our selection committee for admission." Among this year's inductees were a soccer and basketball team as well as 11 other individuals, including Oneida's very own, Paul Denny.

Denny is one of Premontre and Notre Dame's best multi-sport athletes. In high school, Paul participated in football, basketball and baseball.

Paul was a quarterback, safety and a punt/kick returner for the Cadets. He was featured in the USA Today for his memorable punt return for a touchdown that led to the victory over La Crosse

Aquinas in the semifinals of the state football playoffs. Paul was also awarded the honor of the 1985 state Player of the Year. His accolades and success resulted in him being a D1 prospect for football. Paul chose to attend the University of Minnesota where he played for Lou Holtz.

In basketball, Paul was the starting point guard for the varsity team that had 1 loss and a 17 game winning streak before losing in the state semifinals. He was a member of the 1985 all-star team at the state basketball tournament.

Then, in baseball, Paul was the starting catcher as a freshman. He was a member of the all-star team as a junior, and senior as a shortstop. He also was heavily recruited by D1 colleges for baseball.

His athletic success helped Paul as a Marketing and Endorsement Agent for Area Professional Athletes for 16 years. During this time, he worked for the legendary Reggie White and his wonderful wife, Sara. At the moment, Paul works Nationwide installing big machinery for Industrial Works. Paul is a die-hard Christian who always has a smile on his face and a genuine care for others. He also is a long-time board member of the March of Dimes and Arthritis Foundation.

Paul would like to note and give a special thanks to his wonderful coaches (especially Harold Neville<sup>†</sup> and Roy Smits), all of his former teammates and lifelong friends.



Photo courtesy by Triton Hall of Fame

Paul Denny with Notre Dame Academy President Thomas J. Kiely.

# A PAIR OF OUTSTANDING GIRLS GOLFERS



Photo courtesy by Garth Webster

Vivien Ninham and Emma Cunningham during their practice session as they prepared to play in the 2023 Wisconsin State High School Girls Golf Tournament.

**By Garth Webster**  
*Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

Not one but two, outstanding golfers, Vivien Ninham, the daughter of Matthew and Tatiana Ninham and Emma Cunningham, the daughter of Cameron and Amanda Cunningham, qualified for the Division 1 Wisconsin State High School Girls golf tournament held October 9 & 10, 2023 at the University Ridge golf course in Verona, WI.

Ninham, a senior at Pulaski High School, took third place at her sectional tournament shooting a score of 77 to qualify for the state tournament. Cunningham, a freshman from the Green Bay Preble Co-op team, took

first place in her sectional tournament with a score of 72.

As I spoke with Ninham and Cunningham during their practice sessions at Thornberry Creek at Oneida the afternoon of Friday, October 6, they were extremely excited to play the following Monday against the top 76 other best high school players in the state. In the end, after shooting two rounds of 85, Ninham placed 31st. Cunningham shot 78 and 81, resulting in a tie with 7 others players for 12th place.

Congratulations to both Vivien and Emma for a great 2023 season. The entire Oneida community is rooting for your continued success.



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Webster says, to be aware that, like many departments in Oneida, they have a high workload to staff situation, as noted by the many hats Webster wears on any given day. In the end, Webster adds, "Safe Shelter has successfully demonstrated the ability to provide housing to a diverse population who would otherwise be without. Our staff has remained stable, caring, and compassionate and is determined to maintain this stability due to personal convictions. With the support of Oneida and the greater Green Bay area, we hope to be here for the long run." To donate or volunteer at Safe Shelter, go to [SafeShelterGB.org](http://SafeShelterGB.org).

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## FAMILY FUN DAY HOSTED BY ONEIDA NATION APPLE ORCHARD



Photos courtesy by Garth Webster

**By Sarah Madden**

*Kalihwisaks Contributing Writer*

The Oneida Nation Apple Orchard recently held a Family Fun Day two consecutive weekends, 10am-3pm on Saturday, September 23 and 30, 2023. The beautiful fall weather set the perfect backdrop for this public event, which catered to individuals of all ages. Attendees enjoyed a variety of activities, including food and craft vendors, inflatable bouncy houses, face painting, and animal balloon artistry. Of course, one of the highlights of the day were the apples, which attendees could either pick for themselves or purchase as pre-picked bundles.



## RECOVERY DAY OF SERVICE HELD AT TSYUNHEHKWA

**By Sarah Madden**

*Kalihwisaks Contributing Writer*

Tsyunhehkwa (Joon-Hen-Kwa), The Tribal Action Plan (TAP) team, who has been hosting awareness, treatment, and recovery services for the Oneida Nation, partnered with the Oneida Recovery Nest on Saturday, September 30, 2023 for a day of good medicine. The partnership created an event for the National Recovery Day of Service, which took place at the Tsyunhehkwa Farm. Participants picked and husked heirloom white corn. After, they were treated to a warm meal at the Oneida Recovery Nest. They also received gift bags, mugs, and t-shirts as gifts for their service.



# 30TH ANNUAL HARVEST AND HUSKING BEE



Photos courtesy by Garth Webster



**By Sarah Madden**

*Kalihwisaks Contributing Writer*

Tsyunhehkwa (Joon-Hen-Kwa), commemorated its 30th Annual Harvest and Husking Bee (HHB) Saturday, October 7, 2023. Participants were invited to help pick, husk, and braid traditional white corn, all while learning about the significance of the Oneida Nation's sustenance to the community and culture. Eric McLester, Manager of Tsyunhehkwa, took a moment to enlighten participants how much they're appreciated during the event, "The white corn harvested during HHB directly benefits the Oneida community. Once the white corn is

dry, we will typically process 150 pounds of dried corn per week, which is eventually delivered to the Oneida Cannery, where it is transformed into an array of white corn products." Ultimately, these products are made available for purchase at the Oneida One Stops and provided to community groups. In addition to learning about Oneida's Nation's white corn, Tsyunhehkwa treated attendees to an assortment of enriching experiences, including apple cider, traditional corn soup, music, wagon rides and engaging activities such as corn husk doll crafting, watching corn mush demonstrations, while also enjoying the various food and craft items from local vendors..



# JOE BIG MOUNTAIN – Quillwork Extraordinaire



Photo courtesy by Joe Big Mountain



Photo courtesy by British Vogue Magazine

Above left: Joe Big Mountain. Above Right: Leading Actress in *Killers of the Flower Moon* Lily Gladstone wearing Big Mountain's custom quillwork earrings. Big Mountain also produced custom quillwork cuffs for Gladstone's photos that appeared in the October 2023 issue of British Vogue Magazine.

## By Garth Webster

*Kalihwisaks/Creative Services*

Joe Big Mountain, Cree/Mohawk/Comanche, the husband of Sunshine (Nunies) Big Mountain, is an internationally renowned porcupine quill work artist whose jewelry was recently featured as part of the wardrobe for *Killers of the Flower Moon*® leading actress Lily Gladstone's photo shoot for an article appearing in the October 2023 issue of British Vogue magazine.

When asked how he became interested in quillwork, Big Mountain explained that he was raised in a family of crafters who traveled the pow wow circuit. Thus, it was an inevitability that his family would


encourage him to partake in some form of crafting. Needless to say, he chose quillwork. Even with 20+ years of experience, he says he still continues to master more quillwork methods, of which he mentions there are hundreds of.

Today, Big Mountain sells his work mostly online and thus, he and his family don't have to travel much anymore. Although recently, his wife attended New York Fashion Week, September 9 & 10, 2023, part of which featured Justin Jacob's (Plains Cree) Indigenous-themed clothing. Through the Global Fashion Collective out of Vancouver, Canada, Jacob discovered several jewelry designers, including Big

Mountain, to provide jewelry for the event, another tribute to Big Mountain's talent.

Currently, Big Mountain continues to create new lines of jewelry, which sell out quickly and so, it's business as usual. On the horizon, though, Big Mountain is looking to expand his talent into making authentic Indigenous Dolls, adorned with Indigenous clothing, regalia and of course, his jewelry. He ended the interview with words of wisdom to anyone wanting to advance themselves with their craft, "If you want to do it, do it and don't give up. Don't be afraid to take a leap of faith to be an artist." Learn more about Joe Big Mountain at [IronhorseQuillwork.com](http://IronhorseQuillwork.com).





**woodland Indian Art show & market**

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*Honoring our Veterans - Past, Present and Future*

This year's show will feature a fashion show by Jennifer Powless-Benally of ShinyMoon Creations, interactive craft-making classes, author Chris Church, as well as a variety of artisans from across Turtle Island competing for category awards and best of show.



Click or scan the QR Code to read the tribute article to Woodland Indian Art Board founder, Loretta Webster, written by current WIAB Chairman John Breuninger.



# CRAFT SALE

**Friday & Saturday**  
**November 24 & 25, 2023**  
**Radisson Oneida & Cayuga Rooms**  
9:30am - 7:30pm

Beadwork  
Silver & Turquoise Jewelry  
T-Shirts  
Soaps and Lotions



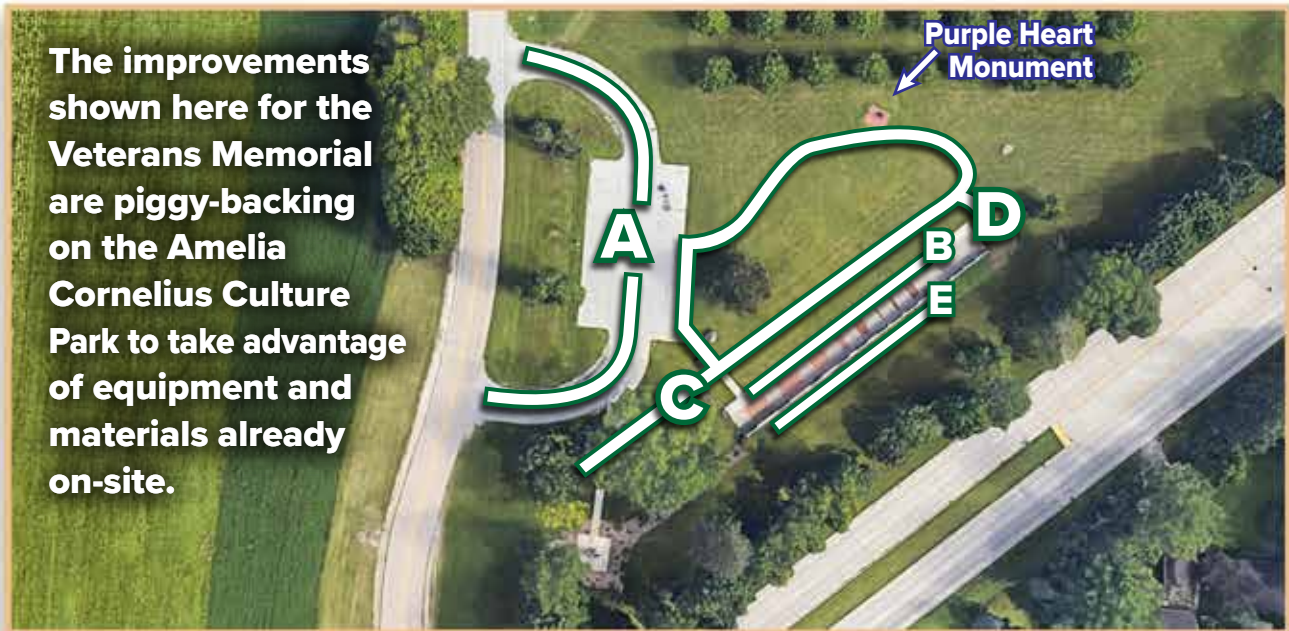

For more information  
**920.869.3658**






Friends and family gathered at the Oneida Veterans Memorial Wall on Saturday, September 30, 2023 to honor the late Commander George Greendeer to dedicate a park bench by the Military Order of the Purple Heart Monument. Above, Greendeer's daughters Samantha, Cherokee, wife Charlene, and son, Jon unveil the bench placard.

# Oneida Veterans Memorial Improvements



- A. Remove and replace parking lot.**
- B. Address sinking memorial pavers and regrade surface to divert water away from the base of the wall.**
- C. Encircle site and Purple Heart Monument with accessible asphalt walking paths.**
- D. New base installation for second eagle statue.**
- E. Remove and replace landscaping on the side of the wall closest to Hwy 54.**

Prior to the developments listed above, the wall received a new ridge cap to divert water from the facade of the sign, the wampum painted design was refinished and cracks and erosion on the sides of the wall were sealed and repaired. Finally, the Oneida Veterans Memorial lettering and the Oneida Nation Seal were replaced.





**ONEIDA  
MAN CLAN**

**Gathering IV**  
**Sat., Dec. 2, 2023**  
**Date and Time: TBD**

**Come share your story,  
and listen to others.**


**Enjoy the 'Safe Place'  
and all of its positive energy.**

**Connect through the power  
of 'Man Discussions.'**



Donations are always appreciated. If you would like to contribute, email [OneidaManClan@gmail.com](mailto:OneidaManClan@gmail.com).

# Lighting The Bridgeway



**ONEIDA**

**NOVEMBER 16**  
**COUNTDOWN BEGINS AT 6 PM**

DUCK CREEK BRIDGE  
SITE 1 - BY ONEIDA LIBRARY

**ONEIDA VETERANS WILL BE SERVING HOT BEVERAGES & HOT DOGS**  
**HORSE DRAWN WAGON WITH ONEIDA SINGERS SINGING CAROLS**



## MEDICARE ADVANTAGE OPEN ENROLLMENT

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO STOP IN AND TALK TO SOMEONE WHO MAY HELP YOU

- Wed., Oct. 18**  
10am and at 12pm (noon)
- Tue., Oct. 24**  
10am and at 12pm (noon)
- Fri., Nov. 3**  
10am and at 12pm (noon)
- Thur., Nov. 16**  
10am and at 12pm (noon)
- Fri., Dec. 1**  
10am and at 12pm (noon)

**Oneida VFW Post 7784**  
2980 E. Service Rd.  
Oneida, WI 54155

**LEARN MORE**

For question, call Carolyn at:  
 **920.609.2139**  
**Oneida Aging & Disability Services**



## Long Term Care For Elders & People With Disabilities

Long-Term Care is a range of services and supports you may need to meet your personal care needs. Most long-term care is not medical care, but assistance with your basic personal tasks of everyday life such as:

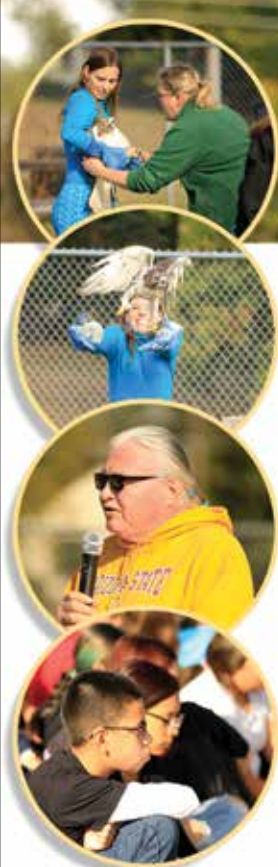
- Bathing • Dressing
- Transferring (getting in & out of bed) • Eating

Other long-term care services & support that provide assistance with everyday tasks include:

- Housework • Taking medications • Managing money
- Preparing & cleaning up after meals • Shopping for groceries & personal items • Transportation to medical appointments
- Other items specific to your needs.

The goal of Long-Term Care would make it possible for elders & people with disabilities to remain in their homes, for as long as possible, with the assistance of services to help keep them comfortable.

For more information for yourself or a loved one on how to apply for Long-Term Care, contact: Carolyn Skenandore, Tribal Aging & Disability Resource Specialist (ADRS)  
 **920.869.6830** Email: [cskena15@oneidationation.org](mailto:cskena15@oneidationation.org)



Stephanie Stevens, Youth Enrichment Services (Y.E.S.) for Lombardi Middle School (LMS) in Green Bay, WI, put an exclamation mark on the Y.E.S. program's mission to promote the advancement of educational, cultural, and social development of the American Indian students at her school.

On Indigenous Peoples Day, Monday, October 9, 2023 the LMS 8th grade science students husked and braided white corn while learning the significance of this vital sustenance within the Oneida culture.

Later, on Wednesday, October 11, the Green Bay Area Public School district Title VI First Nations Program, along with Lori Bankson of the Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, assisted Stevens and the LMS Y.E.S. program with the release of a rehabilitated hawk after Randy Cornelius told the Oneida story of the hawk and how the songs came to the birds.

The Wellness Council presents:

## Winter Wellness Talks

<b>Topic &amp; Date:</b> Healthy Holidays November 1, 2023	<b>Time:</b> 12:10-12:45PM
<b>Seasonal Blues</b> December 6, 2023	<b>Location:</b> Oneida Health Center North & South Conference Rooms
<b>Ahs Niyoliwake</b> <small>Three Foundational Matters of Lotinoshuni Wellness</small> January 3, 2024	
<b>Heart Health</b> February 7, 2024	
<b>Nutrition</b> March 6, 2024	
<b>Alcohol &amp; Substance Use</b> April 3, 2024	

Contact Taylor Jean for more information or future topic suggestions.  
[tjean@oneidationation.org](mailto:tjean@oneidationation.org) or 920-490-3940



**PATRICK KELLY ANTONE****February 10, 1980 - August 13, 2023**

Patrick Kelly Antone, 43, passed away Sunday, August 13, 2023. Born in Rock Hill, South Carolina. He was a son of Peter Carl Antone, Jr. of the home and of

the late Lisa Rebecca Davis Antone. He worked in construction.

In addition to his father, he is survived by his children, Hayden and Madelyn Harvey of Piedmont, Patrick and Rebecca Antone of Pelzer, and Cheyann Reel of Pelzer; brothers, Rev. Kile Antone (Wendy) of Ninety-Six and Joshua Lee Antone (Crystal) of Pelzer; nephews, Dylan Antone (Destiny) of Greenwood and Joshua Antone of VA; and girlfriend, Brandelle Nalipi of Pelzer, South Carolina.

**ROBERT FREMONT BRISTOL III****April 23, 1992 - October 8, 2023**

Robert Fremont Bristol III, affectionately known as Bobby, 31, passed away in his home in Oneida, WI on August 8, 2023. He was born in Green Bay, WI on

April 23, 1992, to Robert Bristol Jr and Marguerite Webster.

Bobby was a true outdoors man at heart, finding his greatest joy amidst the beauty of nature. Whether it was hunting in the woods, fishing, or tending to his beloved water buffalo in Hawaii, he had an unshakable connection with the natural world. His love for the outdoors was contagious, and he shared this passion with everyone around him. As a farmer, Bobby promoted natural and organic methods of agriculture. He was an avid gardener and proudly shared his harvest with his family and community.

Bobby was a free thinker, unafraid to stand up for his convictions and fight for what he believed in. He was a beacon of courage and inspiration, advocating for causes that were close to his heart. His determination and unwavering spirit served as a reminder to us all that positive change is

possible when we take a stand.

An entrepreneur in the tree service business, Bobby demonstrated great determination and a strong work ethic. He built a thriving business through his commitment to excellence, leaving behind a legacy of hard work and achievement that will inspire generations to come.

Bobby was a devoted son, a loving brother, a cherished nephew, and a loyal friend. His kindness, generosity, and infectious smile touched the lives of all who knew him. As we mourn, let us also celebrate the extraordinary life of Robert Fremont Bristol III (Bobby) and the mark he left on our hearts. May his memory bring us comfort and inspire us to cherish every moment we have together.

Bobby is survived by his father, Robert Bristol Jr (Aggie Mosher); Mother, Marguerite Bork (Dan Bork), Brother, Eric Bristol (Annie), Brother, Ben Bristol; Stepbrother, Nate Bork (Chelsea); Stepsister, Nicole Brown (Jeremy); Stepbrother, Nicholas Bork (Stacy); and many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and uncles. He was preceded in death by Grandparents Robert and Oney Bristol, and Grandparents Joe and Helen Webster.

Family and Friends may call to Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N Tenth St, De Pere, WI 54115, from 3-6pm on Friday, October 13th, 2023.

**CHERYL LEE (CORNELIUS) CHRISTENSEN****August 28, 1949 - September 19, 2023**

Cheryl Lee (Cornelius) Christensen, 74, passed away at home surrounded by family on Tuesday, September 19, 2023. The daughter of Leland and Juanita (Powless)

Cornelius was born in Green Bay on August 28, 1949.

In 1986, she married the love of her life, Richard "Jim" Christensen. He was her world, and her family has comfort in knowing they're together again. Cheryl was a force to be reckoned with. She loved big and knew exactly how to make you laugh big. She gave hugs you felt in your soul. She loved cooking, shopping, and spoiling her nieces and nephews. She hosted

family get-togethers big and small, filling her home with memories to last a lifetime. Cheryl also worked for Oneida Casino for several years, retiring in 2017.

She is survived by her siblings: Ronald (Janice) Cornelius, Frederick (Theresa) Cornelius, Barbara McIntyre, Leland Cornelius Jr., Charlene (Tom Sweet) Cornelius, Denise (John) Moore, Dennis Cornelius, Sharon (John Collins) Cornelius, Carol (Angel) Colón and brother-in-law Damian Colón. She is further survived by many generations of nieces and nephews to carry on her legacy.

Cheryl was preceded in death by her husband, Jim; parents; and siblings, Keith Michael Cornelius, Judith Ann Colón and brother-in-law Scott McIntyre.

At Cheryl's request no services will be held.

The family would like to thank the staff at Promedica, especially Erin, Jen, Tracy and Chaplain Josh.

**CARLA JEAN CLARK****May 21, 1957 - October 5, 2023**

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our dear family member, Carla Jean Clark age 66 of Oneida, WI. Carla passed away on Thursday,

October 5th, 2023, after a long battle with cancer. Her final moments were spent surrounded by family. She was born on May 21st, 1957, in Green Bay, WI to James and Phoebe (Swamp) Summers. Carla graduated from Flandreau Indian High School, South Dakota in 1976. She was a proud member of the Oneida Nation and dedicated 34 years of continuous commitment working for her community. She started in Bingo in 1988 and transferred to Land Management in 1992, where she made many friends. Carla recently retired in 2022 when her complications became too much to work. Over the years, she had many accomplishments. Two of those were developing the Oneida Register of Deeds and being a key player in getting Oneida to be the first Midwest Region

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Carla Jean Clark

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Tribe, with access and the ability, to input into the BIA's Trust Assets Accounts Management System.

Carla was a devoted wife, mother, and grandma. She loved flowers and especially enjoyed receiving weekly bouquets of flowers her husband would pick from their garden. Carla enjoyed watching "Days of Our Lives" and "Big Brother" in her cozy recliner, weekend rummage sale outings, and collecting tons of turtles. She enjoyed nature, especially watching monarch butterflies that she raised since they were caterpillars. But most of all, she enjoyed the time she spent with her family. Carla will be remembered as a selfless, altruistic wife and mother who always had a smile, even when times were tough. She was known for her kind heart and generous spirit. She never complained and was always willing to give people her last dollar and always sacrificed her needs for the good of the family. Family was everything to her including her three dogs. Carla will be dearly missed by all who knew her. Carla's family asks that she be remembered for the joy she brought to others in life not the sadness of her passing.

She is survived by her loving husband and best friend of 46 years, Gary Clark; her 4 children, Eric (Rebeca) Clark, Candy (Brian) Denny, Amanda Clark, and Jason Clark. Her sisters, Georgia "Jo" (Jamie) Stevens and Celeste Skenandore; brother, Dan (Barb) Summers; 10 Grandchildren: Brionne, Destiny, Mileena, Sierra, Mariaya, Brooke, Alizah, Alex, Davis, and Brian III; 6 Great-Grandchildren, Ashton, Zayden, Harvey, Zander, Mateo, and Cormier; and her beloved dogs, Coco, Pee-Wee, and Lucky. She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Phoebe (Swamp) Summers; Mother-in-law, Lorraine Swanson; brother, Banger Summers; as well as her granddaughter, Precious and numerous aunts and uncles.

Friends and family may gather on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, at Ryan Funeral Home 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere. From 4-7pm. The Oneida Hymn Singers will begin at 6:30pm. Service will start at 7pm with Deacon Debbie Heckel presiding.

The Clark family wishes to thank all those who helped us and Carla along the way. A warm and heartfelt thank you to all staff

of the 9th floor at St. Vincent hospital for your loving care and compassion. And a special thank you to her friends who comforted her during her fight; your support has meant the world to us all.

**PAUL S. "WOOD EYE" CORNELIUS  
June 21, 1943 - October 11, 2023**

Paul S. "Wood Eye" Cornelius, 80, Oneida, passed away peacefully Wednesday, October 11, 2023. He was born June 21, 1943, to the late Julius and Alice

(King) Cornelius.

Paul graduated from Freedom High School class of 1961, where he excelled in athletics. He then attended Haskell University. Paul was an avid outdoors man, who enjoyed fishing, and hunting. He coached several athletic teams. Paul recently celebrated 42 years of sobriety.

An experienced CDL driver, Paul drove for various companies throughout his career. Paul enjoyed listening to the Oneida Hymn Singers, and he along with his family sang with the Cornelius Family.

He is survived by his children, Paul H. Cornelius, Evelyn (Michael) Cornelius – Palechek, Christopher (Julie) Cornelius, Shelly (Ronnie) Cornelius – Roman, and Paulette (Partner Brad) Cornelius. Grandchildren; Dakotah, Adrian (Amber), Mike (Jenny), Evan, Cameron, Raena (J.J.), Myah, and Abbie. Great grandchildren; Jamesin, Kiki, and Paityn. Siblings; Thelma (Wendell) McLester, Merlin (Pat) Cornelius, Eugene Cornelius, Emily (Steve) Johnson, Edna (Scott) Cornelius – Grosskopf, as well as his sister-in-law June Cornelius, brother-in-law Fred Laitinen, special nephew Eugene "Blackie" Cornelius, and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents, his siblings; Alice Lorraine (Ray) Denny, Isaac Cornelius, Rose Laitinen, Shirley La-Fleur, Daughter-in-law Lynette Cornelius, and sister-in-law Barb Cornelius.

Friends may call at Ryan Funeral Home 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere from 1:00PM Sunday, October 15, 2023. The Oneida Hymn Singers will sing at 2:30pm followed by a service at 3pm with Deacon Deborah

Heckel officiating.

Special thanks to the staff of Anna John and St. Vincent I.C.U. for all of your care and concern.

**WAYNE LEE DOXTATOR****November 30, 1980 - October 6, 2023**

Wayne Lee Doxtator, 42, Green Bay, passed unexpectedly on Friday, October 6, 2023. The son of Georgetta "Sam" Doxtator and Adrian "Kenny" Gardner was born

on November 30, 1980, in Wausau.

Wayne cherished his role as a father to his five daughters and one son, and becoming a grandfather was an exceptional gift for him. He loved taking them to water parks and Chuck-E-Cheese to celebrate special occasions with all of them. Even during his toughest times, he was always able to have fun and make people laugh.

He was an avid Packers, Brewers and Bucks fan, and especially enjoyed watching Packer games with his mom. He also had a close relationship with his paternal grandparents, Lena and Ralph, and he always had a special place in his heart for them.

Wayne is survived by his daughters, Precious (fiancé Cody Derginer), Nevaeh, Meiah, Denali and Deionee; son, Masonn; grandchildren, Kehlani, Devina, Dasani and Aycen, and a grandson on the way. He is further survived by his partner, Bridgette Wheeler; grandfather, Ralph Gardner; sister, Kristen; as well as aunts, uncles and extended family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Georgetta "Sam" and Adrian "Kenny"; grandmother, Lena; and uncles, Brook and Mike.

Family and friends may visit at Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N. Tenth Street, De Pere, from 10am to noon on Friday, October 13, 2023. A sharing of stories and a drum performance will take place at noon to conclude the visitation.

**JEFFERY "JEFF" AMBROSE ELM**  
**May 23, 1950 - September 15, 2023**



Jeffery "Jeff" Ambrose Elm, 73, entered the Spirit World on September 15, 2023. Born on May 23, 1950, in Gresham, WI to Bertha Elm (McGee) and Mitchell

Elm Jr. Jeff was an Oneida Nation citizen. He graduated from Pulaski High School in 1968, and then moved to the DePere area where he lived and worked for the past 40+ years.

In 1970, Jeff was hired as a pressman, and worked for the Independent Printing Company, in DePere, where he worked third shift. He remained working for the company for over 35 years. Jeff earned many positive accolades and was praised for his deep commitment to the company and for his outstanding work ethic.

Jeff was also committed to caring for our Mother, "Ma", Bertha, and was her primary caregiver for many years. Jeff enjoyed visiting with his brothers and sisters, nieces and nephews, and cousins. Jeff was loved by many, he was known for his generosity and kindness, love of good food, being a Packer fan and for being an avid player at the Oneida BINGO hall.

Jeffery will be missed by his surviving siblings: Ivan Elm (Tess), Richard Elm, Raymond Elm, Mary Elm, Howard Elm and Frances Elm (Senia).

Jeffery was preceded in death by his parents, Bertha and Mitchell Jr.; sisters: Judith Rose, Patsy and Valerie; brothers, Lawrence and Mitchell "Edward" and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Jeffery will rest in love and peace next to his mother, brother, sister and nephew in the Oneida Methodist Church cemetery. A family service will be held at Newcomer-Green Bay Chapel (340 S. Monroe Ave., Green Bay, WI), Saturday, October 14, 2023, from 1-3pm. A memorial service will follow at 3pm. To leave an online condolence for the family, please visit [www.NewcomerGreenBay.com](http://www.NewcomerGreenBay.com).

In lieu of flowers, the family invites you to bring in your favorite photo of Jeff to share. Rest in Peace, our Brother and Uncle.

**MICHAEL M. EMANUELE, SR.**  
**September 10, 2023**



Michael M. Emanuele, Sr., born into eternal life on September 10, 2023, at the age of 65. Proud dad of Michael Jr. and Sara Emanuele. Loving Papa of Irie and

Marie. Dear brother of John and Joseph, Kathy and Maria and the late Roberto.

He is further survived by nieces, nephews, his extended Oneida family, other relatives, and friends. Mike was a jack of all and master of none, he loved spending time with his family and his emotional support dog, Alex, who preceded him in death. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, September 20th at 12 noon at St. Vincent Pallotti 201 N. 76th St. Milwaukee. Visitation at church from 10-11:45am.

**CARL METOXEN**  
**August 10, 1934 - September 7, 2023**



Carl Metoxen, 89, (formally of Maple Grove and Fridley MN) went home to be with the Lord on September 7, 2023 after saying heartfelt good-byes to his loved ones. Carl was born in Menasha WI and raised just outside Green Bay in Oneida WI.

He attended high school in Green Bay before joining

the US Navy in 1953 where he proudly served on the USS Intrepid. After his service ended, he attended North Central College in Minneapolis where he met the love of his life, his future wife, Doris. They married in 1958 and later welcomed two sons, Todd and Terry. Carl was a 30+ year employee of Centennial Schools in Circle Pines MN where he taught American History. He was very popular among both staff and students, known for his immense faith, knowledge, humor and pushups, if



you misbehaved. Carl enjoyed reading, traveling, classic country music, hunting/fishing, watching sports (Packers, college basketball, Twins, golf). He most enjoyed the time with his family and especially gathering on Sundays for a big lunch after church.

Carl is survived by his two sons Todd (Shannon Aubart), Terry and a sister, Carol. Also, many nieces and nephews. He also has two grandchildren whom he treasured. He was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Doris, his parents Edison and Evelyn (Baird) Metoxen and many brothers and sisters.

Celebration of life service is scheduled for Thursday, September 28, 2023, at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 12650 Johnny Cake Ridge Rd, Apple Valley MN 55124. Visitation begins at 10am, service at 11am.

He will be interred as a hero, at a later time, at Ft. Snelling National Cemetery.

**RAMONA MONROE**  
**September 8, 1937 - August 4, 2023**



Ramona Monroe, 85, of Newberg, Oregon, entered eternal life while in the company and companionship of her beloved son, Gavin, on Friday, August 4, 2023, at

Mercy Medical Center, in Roseburg, Oregon, from complications arising from a Sepsis blood infection. Her spirit is carried on by her five children, two grandchildren, and an extended family of much-loved relations and friends from every walk of life. "Mona" was born in September 1937, at home, on a little farm in Verden, Oklahoma, United States. Mona was the third child and the daughter of Raymond and Margaret Frey who would eventually have five children- Joe, Nita, Mona, Phillip and Mary.

Ramona was preceded in death by her loving parents, Raymond and Margaret Frey, her dear brothers and sisters, Joe, Nita, Phillip and Mary; and her beloved in-laws, Anna and Paul Monroe, her brother in law,

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 Ramona Monroe



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Paul Monroe Jr., and her former husband and the father of her children, Lieutenant Colonel Ralph "Roger" E. Monroe, whom she cared for in his last years so that he was able to be with his family, until he passed away. She is survived by her five children: daughter Marcella Monroe (Tam Davage) of Michigan & Kansas, daughter Michele Monroe of Virginia, son Mark Monroe (Kristie) of Oregon, son Michael "Gavin" Monroe of Oregon, and daughter Margaret Monroe Anderson (Raymond) of Guam. Also, her dear grandchildren, Jack and Katie Monroe of Oregon. And many much-loved cousins, nieces, nephews, sisters in law and friends.

Services for Family and Friends are being held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Trappist Abbey in Lafayette, Oregon, on Sunday, October 15, 2023, and a larger Celebration of Life for Family and Friends is scheduled for August 4, 2024, in Newberg, Oregon.

Instead of flowers, her family requests that you might consider doing an unexpected and unsolicited act of kindness for someone, in Mona's name. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Ramona Monroe please visit our Sympathy Store.



To learn more about Ramona Monroe and her nursing adventures, please scan the QR code for Ramona's full Obituary.

**DANIEL SALINAS****September 4, 1958 - August 27, 2023**

In Loving Memory of Daniel Salinas, Born September 4, 1958, and Returned to his Creator August 27, 2023.

**We Remember You** – *In the rising*

*of the sun and in its going down, We remember you. In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, We remember you. In the opening of buds and in the warmth of Summer, We remember you.*

*In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of Autumn, We remember you. In the beginning of the year and when it ends, We remember you. As long as we live, you shall live too, for you are a part of us as We remember you.*

Serving the Family. Peace of Mind Funeral Home, 5325 W Greenfield Ave, West Milwaukee, WI 53214.

**EMROY "ROY" SKENANDORE**  
**December 5, 1943 - October 2, 2023**

Emroy "Roy" Skenandore, age 79, of Green Bay, passed away unexpectedly, Monday, October 2, 2023, surrounded by his loving family. He was born

December 5, 1943, in Milwaukee, WI, son of the late James and Meriam (Hill) Skenandore.

Roy graduated from Custer High School, Milwaukee, WI, Class of 1960. "Victory, victory for Custer High!" He continued his education at UW-Milwaukee, earning his Bachelor's Degree in Business. After earning his degree, he was commissioned into the US Army, proudly serving his country during the Vietnam War, achieving the rank of Captain before his honorable discharge. Roy married Alice Hall in Las Vegas in 1977. After being blessed with their 6 children, Roy and Alice were called back to Oneida to assist with the new Oneida Casino, where Roy became the AGM Profits. Roy was a proud member of the Oneida Nation and was a dedicated employee of the casino, retiring after over 20 years of service. Alice is grateful to Roy for supporting her pursuit of home-birth midwifery and later standing with her to found Wise Women Gathering Place.

The late, great Willie Munson appointed Roy as the greatest Native American pool player of all time! 'Chief Running Balls' was victorious in his final tournament at the White Eagle Open, two days before he passed. Cheering on the Packers was one of his favorite past times. He was a proud grandpa and loved attending his grandkids' activities and events. Roy loved being with family and would never turn down a free meal, especially his favorite-Oneida

Corn Soup. Any place you found Roy, you could always find his favorite companion, Berry!

Emroy is survived by his wife of 45 years, Alice; his 6 children and their spouses: Ray Skenandore, Steven & Amanda Skenandore, Dan & Tonia Skenandore, Berry Skenandore, Clarissa Skenandore and Eddy-Joe & Brittany Skenandore and 6 grandchildren: Alexis, Alysa, Ava, Aiden, Blake, and Elly Skenandore. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by 3 siblings: James, Glen "Curt", and Winona.

Visitation will be held at Newcomer-Green Bay Chapel (340 S. Monroe Ave., Green Bay, WI), Friday, October 6 from 1 to 3 PM. A funeral service will follow at 3 PM with full military honors. To leave an online condolence for the family, please visit [www.NewcomerGreenBay.com](http://www.NewcomerGreenBay.com).

Roy's family would like to thank the Oneida community, Green Bay Police Dept., as well as Roy's pool family for their incredible support and compassion through this difficult time.

**RICHARD D. SKENADORE**  
**July 20, 1942 - October 14, 2023**

Richard D. Skenadore, 81, affectionately known as "Unk", passed away peacefully with loved ones by his side on Saturday, October 14, 2023. He was born

in Green Bay on July 20, 1942, to Arthur Skenandore and Cynthia Jourdan.

He was a Packer, Brewers, and Badgers fan and loved getting his "numbers" at his local establishments while hanging out with family, friends, and buddies. In his younger days, he was an avid bowler, golfer, and fisherman.

Richard worked in construction for 20 years as a mason. He had a second career as maintenance at Anna John Nursing home until his retirement.

He is survived by Patsy Elm, his sweetheart

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Richard D. Skenadore

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and best friend, his children, Laurie (Lyle) Metoxen, Chantell (Kevin) VandenBloomer, his brother Gordy (Jude) Skenadore. His is further survived by his grandchildren, Gabrielle (Wade), Richie (Mars), Adrianna, and sister-in-law Carol Skenadore. He is also survived by Miranda and Eli, and one great-grandchild, his godson, Barry Metoxen, and “favorite” numerous nephews and nieces.

Richard is preceded in death by his parents, his son Douglas Skenadore, his siblings, Bernice (David) Moore, Marlene (Myron) Skenadore, and Vince Skenadore.

Friends and family may come to call on Thursday, October 19, 2023, from 10:00AM – 12:00PM at Ryan Funeral Home, 305 N Tenth Street De Pere. The Oneida Hymn Singers will begin their song service at 11:30 AM, and memorial service will begin at 12:00PM. For full obituary, please visit [www.ryanfh.com](http://www.ryanfh.com).

A special thank you to Patsy for her love, dedication, and care of our dad. Also, thank you to Unity Hospice for your care.



## HAZARD TREE EVALUATIONS

Identifying the risks associated with a hazardous tree is a subjective process. Since the nature of many tree failures is unpredictable, determining which trees will fail and in which fashion the failure will occur, is extremely difficult. The Hazard Tree Evaluation can serve as a tool, which can determine when, how, and what actions will be conducted by Conservation Department Staff or if the situation requires an outside Contractor.

To initiate the process, an intake form can be established for an evaluation. **The evaluation MUST meet the following requirements:**

- An Oneida Enrolled Member.
- Designated as an Elder or Disabled.
- Tree is a Hazard to person(s) and or property.
- Member is the primary homeowner.
- Is the Homeowner's primary residence.
- Hazard MUST Pertain to Dead, Dying, or Storm Damage Tree.
- \*Healthy Trees Will Not Be Considered For An Evaluation.
- Home is located within the exterior boundaries of the Oneida Nation Reservation.

To initiate a Hazard Tree Inspection intake form or questions regarding an established Work Order, please contact the Conservation Department's Main Office at (920) 869-6500 or by email at [Conservation\\_Department@oneidation.org](mailto:Conservation_Department@oneidation.org).

**920.869.6500**

# Septic Tank System

Effective November 1, 2023  
Septic pumping charges  
will be as follows: Holding Tank

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<b>2001-2500</b>	<b>\$93.00</b>	<b>Grease Traps, Sludge Removal – \$25.00 per 1000 Gallons Removed Plus \$85.00 Flat Rate</b>
<b>2501-3000</b>	<b>\$98.00</b>	<b>Floor Drains/Pit Water – \$98.00 Per Hour Plus \$20.50 Per 1000 Gallons Removed</b>
<b>3001-3500</b>	<b>\$105.00</b>	<b>After Hour Rate \$45.00 (Monday-Friday 4:30pm-7:59am) and</b>
<b>3501-4000</b>	<b>\$110.00</b>	<b>Weekends (Friday 4:31pm thru Monday 7:59am) – Are In addition to the Regular Rates</b>
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# Oneida Nation High School

## THUNDERHAWK TIMES



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## DRAKE CONCERT WAS NOT BLURRY. It Was Crystal Clear

By Asa Hill

Drake's "It's All a Blur" concert series began on July 5, 2023, in Chicago, Illinois. Through this writing, he has done over 100 shows in tons of different cities including a show in Toronto, Canada, on October 7, 2023. As for the Chicago show that kicked things off, I was there! And, to bookend things, ONHS classmate Ari Mousseau attended the Toronto Show.

Others have described Drake's tour as fun, loud, very entertaining, and other superlatives.

For this writer, the Chicago concert was very exciting. Highlights of the show included the fact that it was my very first concert. Not only was it my first concert, but I get to say that my first concert was Drake.

The biggest disappointment of the night was that the concert had to end at all. And the experience will never be blurry to this writer. Readers can still catch Drake most likely in his next tour. Drake quoted that his most recent show in Toronto was his last show of the tour, for now. He has said that he will return, and he is nowhere near done. So, all we can do now is wait for him to return to the tour.

## GRATITUDE

By Grace Gauthier

Special to Thunderhawk Times. Written for Skills for Life 9 Class.

What is gratitude? Some might say it's an act of kindness or just a nice gesture of someone helping one another. However, in my opinion, gratitude to me can mean a lot of things such as kindness and caring for one another without question. What if you saw someone who was struggling? Would you help them, or just leave them behind? Some might just walk on by not even paying attention to them or even take a glance at them to see if they are struggling or not. They might have other things to do that are far more important than helping them, such as an emergency, or they just don't care.

That one person who is willing to help one another in their time of need will make a huge difference, how you may ask? By helping them when they are at their lowest or they just can't do it themselves, which can be difficult for them. That can leave a lasting impact on them. They might try and give back to what you have done for them. Even if it is just a small gesture of kindness, that small gesture can go a long way.

Another way of seeing gratitude is being thankful of what you have because someone out there in the world doesn't have the luxury life you have such as food, water, a house,

a family, and many other things and people you have in your life, just being thankful you have them takes a lasting impact on how you see the world and how you see yourself. Not just mentally, but physically too. We live, we learn, we grow. That's the beauty in life. Seeing the world how you see it as being thankful for what you have and helping one another with their time of need, giving back what you can is the best feeling you could have.

## SCHOOL CULTURE

By Zoe Doxtator

Part One of a Four-Part Series

A year and a half ago, I was enrolled in a different high school in a different school system. At some point, I may reveal that school system, but, generally, the contrast between that school and Oneida Nation High School, and Oneida Schools is very different.

And I am not the only one to notice the difference. Several current ONHS students have attended public schools in the area in the past and see that difference.

Over the next several issues of "Thunderhawk Times" I am going to address the differences that exist in school cultures with interviews of ONHS staff and students.

**Staff Contributors: Thunderhawk  
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# ONEIDA JUDICIARY

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### NOTICE OF INTENT TO GARNISH

Debtor's Names:

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Arthur Skenandore

First published notice 11/23

### 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 PUBLIC MEETING

TO BE HELD

November 14, 2023, at 11am

IN THE

Land Management/Conservation Conference Room  
470 Airport Drive, Oneida, WI 54155

In accordance with the Administrative Rulemaking Law, Land Management and the Oneida Land Commission is hosting this Public Meeting to gather feedback from the community regarding the following rule.

#### TOPIC:

This is a proposal to create a rule by:

- Replacing the current Standard Operation Procedure format to formalize through the Rulemaking process;
- Delegate Land Commission's decision making the Land Management Division Director so that requests can be responded to more timely
- Creating an Appeal process to the Oneida Land Commission;
- Creating an evaluation team to consider any land use impacts or terms and conditions that should be imposed; and
- Incorporating the Land Use Permit process for temporary structures into the Land Use License process as needed.

To obtain copies of the Public Meeting documents for this proposal, please visit [www.oneida-nsn.gov/Register/PublicMeetings](http://www.oneida-nsn.gov/Register/PublicMeetings).

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPEN UNTIL November 24, 2023

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 Oneida Land Management by U.S. mail, interoffice mail, e-mail or fax.

Oneida Land Management  
PO Box 365, Oneida, WI 54155  
[dwilson@oneidanation.org](mailto:dwilson@oneidanation.org) • Phone: 920-869-6614

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TO BE HELD

November 16, 2023 9am—10am

IN THE

CHD 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 the following rule:

#### Home by Independent Purchase (HIP) Program

This is a proposal to amend the rule by:

- Oneida Land Commission will determine the maximum purchase price for improvement value and land value annually
- Considering removing requirements for home inspections

To obtain copies of the Public Meeting documents for this proposal, please visit [www.oneida-nsn.gov/Register/PublicMeetings](http://www.oneida-nsn.gov/Register/PublicMeetings).

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPEN UNTIL December 4, 2023

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](mailto:mhill@oneidanation.org)  
Phone: 920-869-2227  
Fax: 920-869-2836

## Invitation to Comment on a Proposed Communications Facility Upgrade

US Cellular Corp. proposes to collocate upgraded antennas on their existing 180ft self-support tower located at W127 W. Service Road in the Community of Oneida, Oneida Township, Outagamie County. The tower is located near the roundabout intersection between HWY 54 and Seminary Road. This location is within the boundaries of the Oneida Nation reservation. Approximate coordinates for the subject tower: 44-30-04.42N, 88-11-27.67W. Interested persons are invited to identify historic sites already listed in, or that may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places in this vicinity and to identify potential effects the facility upgrades may cause to these sites. Questions or comments may be submitted to the following contact: Jake Rieb, Edge Consulting Engineers, 624 Water Street, Prairie du Sac, WI 53578; Phone: 608.644.1449; Email: jrieb@edgeconsult.com. This notice is provided in accordance with the regulations of the Federal Communications Commission, 47 C.F.R. Part 1, Appendices B and C. (#37998)

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Please see our sign up link for  
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**December 1 & 15**


**For Questions Contact:  
Marilyn King at 920.869.1041**

## Time of Crisis Resources

# 911



Non-Emergency OPD: (920) 869-2239



**ONEIDA**

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Behavior Health Triage

**920-490-3950**  
Recovery Coach

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**Safe Call Now (206) 459-3020**  
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**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**  
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suicidepreventionlifeline.org/



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or Text 88788 • thehotline.org/



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drughelpline.org/ • Help with Drug and Alcohol addiction.



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crisistextline.org/ • Support in an emotional crisis.



**Brown County - Crisis Center**  
(920) 436-8888  
familyservicesnew.org/crisis-center/



**Outagamie County - Crisis Phone Counselor**  
(920) 832-4646 or (800) 719-4418

## Stroke Prevention Research Study

**ARE YOU AN ONEIDA TRIBAL MEMBER?  
ARE YOU BETWEEN THE AGES OF 35 AND 55?  
DO YOU LIVE IN THE ONEIDA RESERVATION?  
DO YOU WANT TO MAKE AN IMPACT IN YOUR COMMUNITY?**



**I INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS STUDY:  
IN THE 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 on the Oneida Reservation!

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

CONTACT AMANDA AT 920.490.3984 OR ARIESEN@ONEIDANATION.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION

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

## ONEIDA OPTICAL DEPARTMENT

**WALK-IN EYE EXAMS AVAILABLE THURSDAY MORNINGS.**



Registration begins at 8am. Please register in the order you arrived. Patients will be seen on a first come, first served basis. Once registered, please remain in the optical waiting area. Contact Optical department with any questions.

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The following is important information for the

## 2023 LATE GENERAL WELFARE ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS REMINDER

- *Oneida Nation Assistance Fund (\$1500.00/ 18+)  
(\$2000.00/ 62+)*
- *Elder Assistance Program (\$703.54/ 65+)*
- ▶ The deadline to submit Late 2023 General Welfare Assistance Applications is Friday March 1, 2024, 4:30 PM (CST)
- ▶ Payments for all acceptable applications will be deposited/mailed by Friday March 29, 2024.
- ▶ All GWA Checks Expire 90 Days From The Date Issued. Any GWA Checks Not Cashed Within The 90-day Expiration Date, Will Be Returned To The GWA Program.

### 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)  
at street address  
210 Elm St, Oneida WI 54155



## Q&A on GWA OLIPP

*Submitted by Oneida Trust Enrollments*

- Q:** *What is GWA OLIPP?*
- A:** *This stands for General Welfare Act Oneida Life Insurance Plan Plus.*
- Q:** *How does GWA OLIPP work?*
- A:** *In the event of a member's death the OLIPP benefit pays up to \$15,000 to their funeral home to cover final expenses. Then, if a beneficiary form is on file, the remainder will be distributed to your named beneficiary(ies). The intent of this benefit is to provide for the final expenses of a deceased member as part of their general welfare needs, so their family is not burdened.*
- Q:** *What if I don't have a beneficiary form on file?*
- A:** *As of September 29th, 2023 if there is no form on file funeral expenses will be paid. If there is any remaining funds they will stay in the GWA OLIPP fund.*
- Q:** *Is there a deadline to turn in my form?*
- A:** *No, forms can be turned in anytime.*
- Q:** *Who do I contact to find out if I have a form on file?*
- A:** *You may call the office 920.869.6200 or email: [TrustEnrollments@oneidanation.org](mailto:TrustEnrollments@oneidanation.org)*
- Q:** *Where can I get an Oneida Beneficiary Designation Form?*
- A:** *This form is available in office or online <https://oneida-nsn.gov/resources/enrollments/forms/>*
- Q:** *How often can I make changes?*
- A:** *You may make changes at any time. Reason to update your form should be remove/add beneficiary, beneficiary is deceased.*
- Q:** *What if I list a minor as primary beneficiary?*
- A:** *If a minor is listed, we than ask for proof of guardianship of the minor, then the funds would be distributed to the person in care of the minor.*



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**Just Move It Oneida**

# TURKEY TROT

**NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**  
**4:00-6:00PM**

**Oneida Nation  
Elementary School  
N7125 Seminary Rd.  
Oneida, WI 54155**

Participants may enter a Raffle drawing for a Wellness Gift Box from the Oneida Cannery. \*One raffle entry per adult.

For more information or question contact Hanna Leisgang:  
email: [hleisgan@oneidanation.org](mailto:hleisgan@oneidanation.org) Phone: 920.490.3924 [f@Just Move it Oneida](https://www.facebook.com/JustMoveItOneida)



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## HEALTH AND WELLNESS EXPO

**JAN. 25, 2024**

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## COOKBOOK

### HARVEST STEW



**INGREDIENTS:**

¾ Tbsp Vegetable oil	1 cup Canned diced tomatoes
¾ cup Fresh onions, diced	1 cup Fresh sweet potatoes, cubed 1"
½ cup Fresh carrots, diced	½ cup Fresh red potato, cubed 1"
½ cup Fresh celery, diced	1 cup Diced chicken, ½" pieces
1 Tbsp All-purpose flour	2 cups Canned great northern beans, drained
½ cup Chicken base	½ cup Fresh baby spinach, chopped
1 ¼ cups Water	
½ tsp Salt free seasoning	
½ tsp Garlic powder	

**DIRECTIONS:**

- 1 Heat vegetable on medium to high heat in a pot, combine vegetable oil, onions, carrots, and celery for 5 minutes.
- 2 Sprinkle on flour, stir well, add chicken base and water, stir and bring to a boil.
- 3 Reduce heat to medium, stir in seasoning mix and garlic powder, cook for 2 minutes.
- 4 Add tomatoes, sweet potatoes, and red potato, simmer until potatoes are tender.
- 5 Add chicken, bean, and spinach, simmer and stir for 10 minutes. Serve hot.

**NUTRITIONAL INFO PER SERVING:**

Makes: 6 Servings – ¾ cup Calories 124 • Protein 8g  
• Carbohydrates 18g • Dietary fiber 5g • Total fat 2g  
• Cholesterol 13 mg • Sodium 57 mg

# KILLERS OF THE FLOWER MOON Movie Review

By **Leon Webster**

*Kalihwisaks Contributing Writer*

It's the early 1920's and the Osage People experience the luxuries from newfound riches along with criminal acts that follow the allure of money and power in an oil boom. Acclaimed director Martin Scorsese's film *Killers of the Flower Moon*©, based on David Grann's book of the same title, follows outsider Ernest Burkhart's (DiCaprio) relationship to the people of Osage County with guidance from his uncle William "King" Hale (De Niro), influential leader in the community. It also features breakout star Lily Gladstone, member of the Osage Tribe, portraying Mollie, who bares close witness to the deception, manipulation, and murder of so many in Osage County.

Leading up to the time of the film the Osage had been forced to cede ancestral land throughout the 1800's. Their eventual settlement would prove wealthy; The Osage had struck black gold by the end of the 18th century. In 1906 The Osage Allotment Act offered subsurface mineral rights to the tribe. Royalties would then be distributed among members. That head right would be passed to the allottee's

legal heirs, and that's where some sought opportunity. The land held some of the richest oil fields in the U.S. bringing in tens of millions of dollars per year making The Osage the richest people per capita in the world. To go from working the fields to living the lavish lifestyle eventually attracted predators with criminal intent. The atrocities that followed were enough to trigger the first ever federal investigation under President J. Edgar Hoover.

Overall, *Killers of the Flower Moon*© feels authentic with great performances, writing, and set pieces of incredible detail. Numerous Native Americans were part of the cast and design throughout the film. Years of research and elder interviews from journalist/author Grann contributed as well. Aside from the criminal dealings and mysterious deaths the film regularly hits on pieces of the culture and language. The film also shows the struggle of many vices, colonization, and disease that so many Native Americans had gone through despite having great monetary wealth. The run time can be a little overwhelming at nearly 3.5 hours but is time well

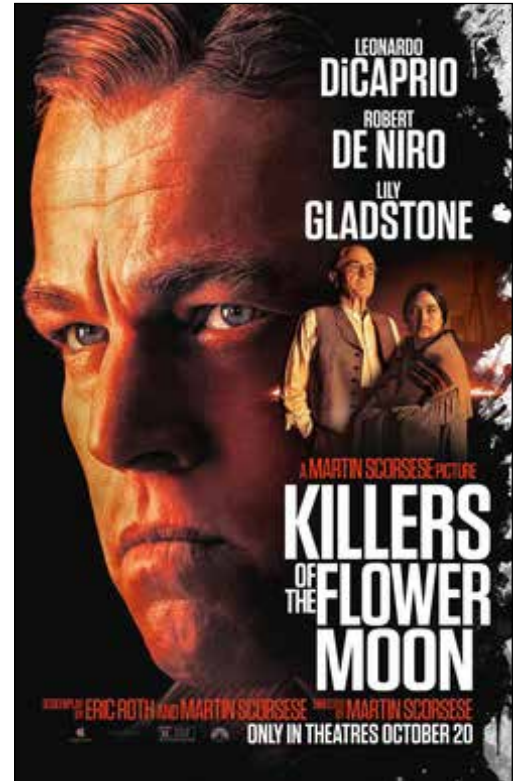


Photo courtesy by Paramount Pictures  
Theatrical release poster

spent. It's a great depiction of the horrific events in Osage history, one that should not be missed. My rating is 8.8 frybreads out of 10.

## Native American Heritage Month



- ONEIDA CULTURAL HERITAGE
- MUSEUM POP ART AND CRAFT VENDORS
- A CREATIVE NATIVE ART SHOW
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## CANANDAIGUA TREATY DAY OF COMMEMORATION

**By Sarah Madden**  
*Kalihwisaks Contributing Writer*

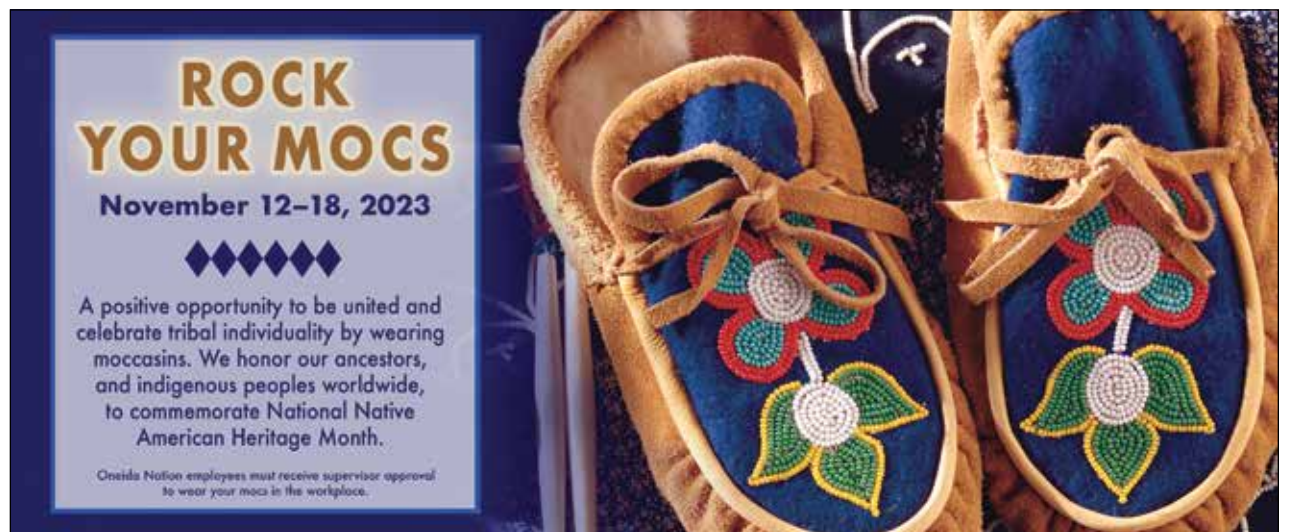
November 11, 2023 commemorates the 229th year of The Canandaigua Treaty of 1794 forged between the United States of America and the Iroquois (Haudenosaunee) Confederacy: Seneca, Cayuga, Onondaga, Oneida, Mohawk and Tuscarora. The treaty signified peace between the two and recognized the sovereignty of the other as distinct nations to govern and set their own laws.

In November 2022, the Canandaigua Treaty Day Commemoration was streamed live on Facebook. At press time, details of this year's 2023 event were not clear. Scan or click the QR code to the Ganondagan.org website for details or to learn more about the Canandaigua Treaty.



*The Treaty of Canandaigua-1794 painting was donated to the Oneida Tribal Schools by the Merville Powless family, including this sons Ronald (Shirley), Lloyd (Darlene), and David Powless, his daughters Ramona (Carlson), Shirley (Moore), and Dr. Donna Powless (David Grignon), his grandchildren Grant and Crystal Powless. The painting, created by Robert Griffing, can be seen at the Norbert Hill Center in Oneida, WI.*

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website.



**ROCK  
YOUR MOCS**  
November 12-18, 2023

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