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# Oneida man held for murder

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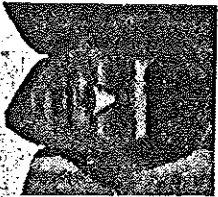
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**TOWN OF ONEIDA** — A 27-year-old man was fatally stabbed early Saturday morning at his home, and a 3-year-old Oneida man is being held in the Outagamie County Jail without bond pending the filing of charges Monday morning.

Myron G. Bowers, 5365 County J, Seymour, was apparently stabbed to death at his home at approximately

1:30 a.m. Saturday, according to witnesses.

Bowers had invited a few friends to play cards Friday night, according to an individual who, like the others, frequented the Bowers residence where they worked on repairing automobiles. At approximately 1:15 a.m., Bow-



Bowers

ers told everyone it was time to leave. Five individuals who had come together in one automobile refused to leave, however, according to the 17-year-old witness. There were a total of 15 people at the party.

When the group of five individuals did leave, their automobile got stuck in Bowers' front lawn. The five returned to the home and requested help in getting their automobile out of the yard.

Bowers took a skid loader out to help push the car out, according to the witness, but when he tried to get the car out, it tipped on its side. The five individuals became angry, and exited the car yelling at Bowers. The 18-year-old pulled a knife and stabbed Bowers.

The individual did not actually witness the knifing, but saw the suspect fall.

"Then (the suspect kicked him (Bowers) in the guts when he was down." Another individual from the car threw a can at Bowers.

"All I saw was Myron starting to walk away, and then he fell," the individual said during Saturday night.

According to Ken Kerckhoff, another

individual who had been invited to the party, he went outside to see what the commotion was after Myron had gone out to help extricate the car.

Kerckhoff found Bowers lying on the ground and, with the help of another individual at the party, carried him inside.

"I was just worried about getting him inside the house," Kerckhoff said Saturday night.

At that point, the 17-year-old ran inside the house and tried to call the Outagamie County Sheriff's Department. The phone was not in proper

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## 'Little angels', Nuns see hope in the most hopeless

By Kathy Walsh Nuffer

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**TWO RIVERS** — At 5 a.m. each day Sister Irmina Bula crawls out of bed to face the day and a household of children.

She makes breakfast for 10, including her partner, Sister Edmund Antoniewicz, and then the two start bathing their charges, one by one.

From the bathroom they move on to the therapy room, and then on to more rounds of tube feedings, diaper changes and medication.

So goes the routine of everyday life at the Sisters' Treatment Group Home.

Visitors walk up the front sidewalk, past the shrine to the Blessed Virgin, and step into an atmosphere of appealing order and cheerful warmth.

A special family lives here.

degenerative diseases. Others are the tragic victims of an adult's violent abuse.

Some are children nobody wants. Others are children whose parents are unable to care for or cope with them. In the last 15 years Sister Edmund and Sister Irmina have welcomed 63 of these youngsters into their home.

Bustling about the house in regulation black veils, white blouses, black skirts and sturdy shoes, the nuns offer their charges a tender pat on the cheek here, a questioning comment there. Often the comment produces a smile of recognition.

The children may be trapped in crooked bodies and at the mercy of neurological systems gone awry, but they know they are loved.

The nuns are tuned in to every nuance of their behavior. They recognize when a child is happy or sad, comfortable or in pain, just by the tone of the noises they make, or by the expression in their eyes.



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tion. Under the 20% forgiveness provision, \$6.9 million in taxes was forgiven. The analysis of the program found that a majority of the payments consisted of assessments of additional tax liability for audits in progress, rather than from delinquent liabilities.

According to the report, the "many large payments of additional taxes by the department are overwhelmingly accurate."

The report also indicates that relatively few taxpayers were found with unknown tax liabilities, amounting to \$1 million.

In the department's efforts to reduce the effectiveness of state tax collection efforts, however, program had relatively little effect on reducing the number of delinquent taxpayers on the books. Before the amnesty program there were about 72,000 taxpayers on the delinquent roll. This was a reduction of 5,750, or 8% of the total.

Pionkowski noted the total amount of delinquent taxes actually increased during the amnesty period, but the growth was at a slower rate.

## Onaida...

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working order, however, and he was unable to reach the sheriff's department. The youth and another individual left the residence and drove to the home of Freedom Constable Michael Nechodom.

In the interim, the sheriff's department was summoned by others, and arrived about the same time as Nechodom.

The five individuals were able to tip the car back onto its wheels and left the scene before police arrived.

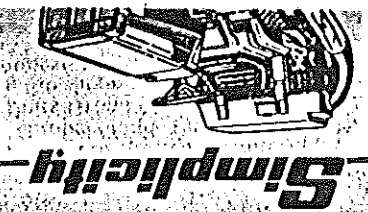
The Onaida man was taken into custody at his home shortly before 6 a.m., according to the sheriff's department.

Bowers was transported to St. Elizabeth Hospital where he was pronounced dead on arrival. His body will be taken to Madison today where an autopsy will be performed by Dr. Robert Huntington, a forensic pathologist.

The sheriff's department will hold a news conference on Monday.

The Onaida man is being held pending the filing of a charge of first degree murder.

Bowers, and his former wife, Patsy Theunis, have an 8-year-old daughter.



## Hopes for downtown...

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