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Derby Room gives back

By Phil Wisneski

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The Oneida Derby Room has been a great success for the Oneida Casino since it opened on April 7 of 2004. The chase for the Triple Crown has created standing room only crowds during the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness and the Belmont Stakes.

The Oneida Casino is not the only one reaping the rewards from the derby room. The Wisconsin Agricultural Growth Foundation (WAGF) has received a percentage of each wager made at the off track betting (OTB) parlor in the Irene Moore Activity Center. The foundation then returns the funds in the form of grants and scholarships to qualifying projects or programs in the state. This is in lieu of the state of Wisconsin getting any money from the

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No quorum, No GTC meeting

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For the third consecutive land claim General Tribal Council Meeting, there was no quorum and the meeting was cancelled.

The most recent non-meeting on June 6 was particularly important because a new update on the land claim was to be presented that included possible amendments that will change the settlement that was passed by the General Tribal Council on December 13.

All of the meetings weren't even close to having the required 75 General Tribal Council members. On June 6,

only 48 people showed up and for the previous May 23 and April 23 meetings there was less than that.

So why the lack of interest? Vice Chairwoman Kathy Hughes believes that the General Tribal Council is relying on the Business Committee to take care of business.

"The fact that we have not had one (GTC meeting) recently means the same thing," Hughes said. "They are satisfied with the decisions we are making. If they weren't, I believe they would be there to let use know."

It's hard to imagine back to the December 13 meeting,

when over 700 Oneida citizens attended the meeting. Meetings now are attended by the same 30-40 people and most of them are either election board members, enrollment employees or council members.

How is the current administration supposed to act on the settlement and make changes that need to be done in order to get the deal through the New York State House of Representatives and Senate?

The General Tribal Council is paying these council members to do their jobs, and that is what they will do.

If there is no quorum at the

next GTC meeting on June 11, the Business Committee will make the decisions for the General Tribal Council pertaining to the land claim and the current amendments that are pending.

These meetings were requested so that the GTC could have open and free dialogue about the settlement and to keep the GTC informed of any changes, but yet the GTC has failed to show any desire to stay informed of the situation.

The final General Tribal Council meeting pertaining to the land claim is scheduled for June 11 at 10 a.m..

Man accused of shooting Menominee deputy to be charged in state court

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Federal prosecutors say charges accusing a man of shooting a sheriff's deputy on the Menominee Indian Reservation will be dropped because the shooting occurred in Oconto County and the proper jurisdiction is state court.

Deputy Louis Moses of the Menominee County Sheriff's Department was hit in the chest by a bullet after responding to a burglar alarm in a summer cabin in the Berry Lake area southeast of Keshena on May 25. His bulletproof vest prevented him from suffering anything more than a welt from the impact, authorities said.

Moses and his dog had tried to stop a man seen walking in the area, which is about 35 miles northwest of Green Bay, and the man fired shots and fled into the woods, a criminal complaint said.

Peter Seymour, 21, of Green Bay, was arrested May 26 in Green Bay. He was charged in federal court with attempted murder and brandishing a firearm in a violent crime.

U.S. Attorney Steven Biskupic filed a motion this week to dismiss those charges, and Oconto County District Attorney Jay Conley filed state charges accusing Seymour of attempted first-degree intentional homicide and bail jumping.

Seymour remains in the Brown County Jail unable to post a \$100,000 bond on an unrelated Brown County sexual assault charge, authorities said. No date has been set for him to make his first court appearance in Oconto County.

Seymour's family has claimed that the police have the wrong man and that he wouldn't do such a thing.

Remembering all who have served



Kali photos/Phil Wisneski

The Oneida veterans celebrated Memorial Day by visiting each cemetery in Oneida and remembered each veteran that had served his or her country. They then proceeded to the Oneida Casino for a short program that included Senator Dave Hansen. The day concluded with an old fashioned cook out that featured booyah, brats and burgers at the Parish Hall.

Oneida hosts final DATCP consultation

By Phil Wisneski

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The Oneida Nation hosted the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) on May 26 as the final consultation with the other tribes in Wisconsin to achieve a better understanding of tribal needs, concerns, and/or input that each nation has concerning agriculture, trade and consumer protection.

The objective of the consultations is to create a collaborative effort to improve the health and well being of tribal members through food safety, animal health, agriculture

resource management and consumer protection services. The state and tribes want to ensure that the tribal members are getting the services that they need whether it be from a tribal or state agency.

The meeting also is earmarked to formalize the process and expectations for the DATCP to implement a government-to-government relationship and to seek consultation and participation of the tribes in the state in policy development and program activities. The state wants the tribe's input on certain policies and how these policies should be implemented to each tribe.

The DATCP also wants each and every tribe to be involved in the decision making process, especially in areas that directly effect the tribe.

The Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Rod Nilsestuen said that tribal input and participation is vital in the overall health of the tribal members of each nation. Nilsestuen said that the consultations have been very informative and the department has learned



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Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection Secretary Rod Nilsestuen responds to a concern of Wisconsin's tribes.

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Memorial Day 2005...



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Above: Members of the Marine Color Guard presented the colors at the Oneida Casino for Memorial Day. Below: Oneida vets gathered to share stories at the Parish Hall.



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Tribes seek trust fund reform

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) - Tribal leaders are seeking to overhaul a trust system they say has cost American Indians billions of dollars through government mismanagement.

Congressional committee staff members have been holding public forums across the country to get comments about ways to settle a lawsuit filed over the trust system in 1996. Tribal leaders hope Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., can draft legislation by the end of the month.

The litigation, known as the Cobell lawsuit, was filed in 1996 on behalf of more than 300,000 American Indians alleging the federal Interior Department failed to properly manage royalties from oil, gas, mining and timber on land assigned through trust accounts more than a century ago.

The lawsuit alleges that since 1887, money has been

stolen, squandered or never collected, costing the Indians more than \$10 billion. The government acknowledged mismanaging the trust system but disputed the amount of money lost.

Tribal members want the legislation to address the issues of land consolidation, trust reform, a monetary settlement and other claims.

"We know what we want," said Chris Stearns, an attorney for Tex Hall, the chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes and president of the National Congress of American Indians. "We want accountability from the government to do the job right."

David Mullan, an attorney for the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, said one of the roadblocks to a settlement is the fact that tens of thousands of plaintiffs are involved, and it will be impossible to satisfy all of them.

"This needs to be settled," said Avis Little Eagle, a council member from the Standing Rock reservation. "Look how long this has been going on. The tribes will benefit from a settlement. We are just looking for justice."

Hall suggested an independent oversight commission.

"We don't think the government can reform itself," he said. "They keep saying they're doing a good job, and we know different."

John Echo Hawk, executive director of the Native American Rights Fund, said he is optimistic the lawsuit will be settled.

"The courts have held the government in breach of trust," he said. "The government does owe this accounting. The Congress knows this as well, and, I think, is troubled by the fact that this case goes on and on, even though these court rulings exist. It's time for it to end."

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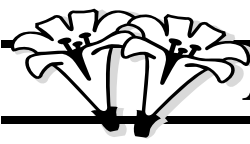
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Local



Passing On

White Sr., Leon Vernon

Leon Vernon White Sr., 64, W2857 So. Lakeview, Keshena, died Thursday, May 26, 2005, at Aurora BayCare Medical Center in Green Bay.

Survivors include his wife, Sue, Keshena; four daughters, Kalene White and Lennette White, both of Oneida; and Michelle (Brian) White and Jessica White, both of Green Bay; three sons, Leon "Kokomoss" White Jr., Christopher White, and Deon White, all of Green Bay; one stepdaughter, Richelle Awonohopay, Keshena; one stepson, Richard "Blake" Awonohopay, also of Keshena; two sisters, Mary Ann Rosas, Black River Falls; and Eunice White, Crandon; three brothers, Fredrick (Kathy) White, Hatfield; Joseph "Bobby Joe" White, Black River Falls; and Alex "Johnny" Mantalvo Jr., Racine; and 18 grandchildren.

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was a charter member of the Andrew Blackhawk Post in Black River Falls. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, along with participating in Grand Entries at Pow Wows.

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Red lake aftermath: Young man cares for wounded brother and stroke-ridden mother

By Dave Kolpack

Associated Press Writer

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Shane May knew pressure as a high school basketball player. But lately he has been hitting the court to get away from it all.

For most of the past two months, the 21-year-old from Red Lake, Minn., has been watching over both his brother and mother as they fought for their lives.

May's brother Jeffrey, 15, was shot in the head at close range during a rampage by a teenager March 21 that left 10 people dead on Minnesota's Red Lake Indian Reservation. May's mother, Jodi, 40, suffered a stroke about a month later. May attributed it to the stress from his brother's injuries.

"A lot of people ask me how much one family can take," he said. "I don't have a choice. I don't have time to stress out."

In recent weeks, May traveled back and forth between a Fargo hotel and the hospital, thrust into the role of family leader, hospital liaison and media contact.

"Shane has done a tremendous job here as kind of the glue holding the family together," said Dr. William Klava, who has directed Jeffrey's rehabilitation. "He has shouldered more responsibility than a young person

should have had to do at his age."

In addition to visiting his brother and mother, May has been the designated host for a parade of family members, including his siblings, ages 9, 16 and 20. "I knew I was going to have to step it up," he said, using a cliché reserved for athletes.

The one thing that eases his mind is basketball. The former high school point guard jumped at the chance when he was invited to use the gym at a church in Fargo.

"Playing basketball was a big break for Shane" and his 16-year-old brother Tony, said Erik Hatch, the youth director at First Lutheran Church. "The first time I approached them about coming over to the church to play, their eyes just lit up."

Jeffrey May suffered a serious brain injury when he was shot during an attack at Red Lake High by schoolmate Jeff Weise, who killed nine people, including his grandfather, before taking his own life.

Jeffrey was paralyzed on his left side but is slowly learning to move those muscles again. His therapists call him "Rudy" a nickname taken from a feel-good movie about an overachieving football player at Notre Dame.

"He has a long road ahead of him, but he has a lot of motivation," physical thera-



Red lake student Jeffrey May works with a mirror to improve his speech with Becky Thrash.

pist Norlene Tracy said. "He does what we ask to him to do."

A speech therapist has been helping Jeffrey with muscle movements in his face, as well as with his memory and comprehension. He had to relearn how to swallow and is now able to eat all foods. His first solid food was a hot dog, the day before he threw out the first ball at a Minnesota Twins game.

His mother, who is in guarded condition, recently was moved to the same hospital as Jeffrey. Doctors said last month she had become more alert and was able to communicate with hand signals. The roles of mother and son have been reversed in the past month - now it is Jeffrey who visits the bedside of his mother.

"He wants to get better for his mom," Shane May said. "It has helped him a lot since she was moved to the same hospital and he can see her every day."

May recently returned home, tired of living out of a suitcase and eager to get back to his job as cashier at a Thief River Falls, Minn., casino. He said he needs to work on plans for a wheelchair ramp and nursing care at the family house. He will return to Fargo on his days off.

Jeffrey is expected to leave rehab Wednesday, hospital officials said. The church youth director hopes to have him over to the church to play basketball before he returns home.

That would be a big step, his older brother said: "Every Red Laker plays basketball."

Mauritz (Skenandore), Marian Rebecca

Marian Rebecca Mauritz, 71, Oneida, passed away to a better life with her Lord Jesus

Christ, Monday, June 6, 2005. She was born Aug. 19, 1933 in Oneida to the late Wallace

and Elvira (Hill) Skenandore. In 1952 Marian married Antone Henry Mauritz in Menasha. He preceded her in death in 1963. Most precious to her were her children and grandchildren. She will be sadly missed by all who loved her and knew her.

She is survived by her five boys and one daughter; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, sisters, brothers, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Antone; two sons, Tony, Michael; a daughter, Louise; her parents; one grandson, Joshua; a sister, Elsie; three brothers, Norman, Nelson and Abe.

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Judge reschedules NY Oneida tax hearing to July

WAMPSPVILLE, N.Y. (AP) — A judge has refused to halt Madison County's foreclosure proceedings against the Oneida Indian Nation, but has scheduled a hearing next month to consider the issue further.

County officials say the nation refuses to pay nearly \$3 million owed in back property taxes, despite a ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court in March that former reservation lands reacquired by the tribe are taxable and not sovereign

territory. State Supreme Court Justice William F. O'Brien III will hear the foreclosure case on July 14.

The nation, meanwhile, filed court documents from the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs that refer to nearly 18,000 acres of nation-owned land as having "restricted status." Nation lawyers argue the BIA document shows the federal government believes counties are forbidden from foreclosing on the land.

In wake of the U.S. Supreme Court decision, the Oneidas have applied to put all their land into federal trust, a status that could bring full or partial sovereignty.

But Madison County Attorney John Campanie said the BIA document was merely the opinion of a "low-level realty officer" and not that of the BIA, or its parent agency, the Department of the Interior.

"We're not talking about the little old lady on the cor-

ner on a fixed income who can't pay her taxes," Campanie said. "We're talking about someone with enormous financial resources who refuses to pay even after the Supreme Court clearly told them they have to pay."

Oneida Nation spokesman Mark Emery noted it was the Supreme Court that suggested the nation ask the federal government to put nation land into trust, which would render it free of local taxes and local control.

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OTB. "The state of Wisconsin does not get any money or percentage from this particular game," said Pete King, Oneida Gaming Manager.

King said that this was part of the negotiations with the state, and that it is a win/win situation where the tribe can have an opportunity to get back some of the money. King has spoken with the various departments within the tribe and has high hopes that they will receive a grant and/or scholarship. Deadline

for application submission is June 25, 2005. To fill out an application go to the WAGF website at www.wisconsin-agricultural-growth-foundation.org.

Up to \$5,000 may be awarded each year to the grant/scholarship recipients. The funds will be used exclusively for the benefit of and to support the Equine/Agricultural focused charitable, educational, benevolent and/or scientific purposes.

According to the mented. There will be a signing ceremony/celebration on June 28 at Governor Doyle's residence to celebrate the historic event.

Wisconsin Agricultural Growth Foundation website, the purpose of the foundation is to fund grant requests for projects and programs that will help Wisconsin's Agricultural economy grow.

Agriculture remains the state's number one industry. It employs one out of every five people in the state, and generates \$51.5 billion annually.

Some examples of programs or projects that are eligible for the grants are: Youth and young adult programs of the county fair 4-H equine councils, Future Agricultural Leaders Equine programs and projects, Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Association, the Wisconsin Stallion and Mare Development Fund Enhancement and many others

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numerous things about Indian Country during the meetings.

The entire policy has been a long time in the making and both sides will be better off when it begins to be imple-

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2005 Family Carnival

13th Annual Family Carnival is huge success



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Although the forecast called for rain on Saturday, it didn't dampen the spirits of those in attendance. After a brief onslaught of rain on Saturday afternoon, it was business as usual for the young and young at heart.

This year's line up of entertainer's brought an up and coming group, 'Cowboy Crush' on the main stage, which proved to be a crowd favorite. Other acts included, 'The Groove Hogs', 'Rivertown', 'Barbie and the Earth Shakers', 'Shy Guys', and 'Tom Greene' Mr. Elvis himself to name a few.

A teen dance and Rapper Buggin Malone on Friday night were two new attractions this year. Horse drawn rides that were a thing of the past were also welcomed by carnival goers. The Family Carnival went out with a bang as the crowd enjoyed the fantastic fireworks display on Saturday night.

The Oneida Veterans and Oneida's finest were on hand throughout the weekend to maintain parking and security. Volunteers for the event were kept busy throughout the whole weekend including on Sunday - cleaning up the grounds.

Following are the list of sponsors for the event: MIX FM 95.9, COKE, FOX 11 WLUK, Oneida Bingo & Casino, Bay Bank, Spielbauer Fireworks, Bayfest, Oneida One Stops, Celebrate DePere Inc., Green Bay Packers, Mike Hermes / Northeast Insurance, Image Keepers/HVS, Webster Industrial Supply, Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, INFINITY Technology, Inc., Rent a Tent, Van Boxtel RV Center, Ryan Funeral Home, Y100 WNCY, Lamers Bus Lines, Time Warner Cable, Fatzo's Subs & Pizza, Fun Services, and Natures Way Tissue.



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- **Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Center:** 383-9526
- **Domestic Violence** — Milwaukee Women's Center: 272-5132, ext. 153 — Bagwajikwe Madosh is the Native American Case Manager/Advocate and available to assist women or family members
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Candidate Forum — Election time!

Get to know the candidates running for election. Be there to ask questions, see who is running for office, and decide who you would like to see in office for the next 3 years. It is important for you to be there, as new Business Committee members will be responsible for the future of the Oneida Nation.
Date: **Sunday, June 26th**
Time: **1:15 — 5:00PM**
Place: Best Western Milwaukee Airport Hotel — 5104 So. Howell Avenue, in the Symposium.

Look for the Oneida Nation on the Announcement Board.

Volunteers are Special!

Hats off to Seots Volunteers! The Volunteer Dinner was well attended as we honored our volunteers to a dinner and dance! A great time was had by all and we were well fed! Our feet were broken in or broken up by the time we finished! But we enjoyed a nice evening! Congrats to our Hoola Hoopers, that out lasted 15 people that started hooping, but sadly could not out do Nina Powless, Carlos Powless and Lillian Sanfillippo! Special thank you to all our talented volunteers, Mamie Arellano, Clara Ayala, Halley Clark, Sharon Clark, Tina Cottrell, Dorothy Danforth, Mike Danforth, Mike Debraska, Isabel Denning, Sawyer Denning, Taylor Denning, Roberta Doxtator, Mary Elm, Al Fabian, Robin Fleischer, Jade Flores, Roberto Flores, Jr., Roberto Flores, Sr., Laura Gordon, Geraldine Grunwald, Robert Grunwald, Laura Harrison, Debbie Hecker, John House, Rick House, Roy Huff, Jim Kelly, Lorie Lutz, Mindimoye, Alice Ninham, Lloyd Ninham, Annette Padron, Alan Parks, Laura Parks, Les Parks, Anna Perlongo, Renee Pfaller,

Mary Pittser, Mark Powless, Janice Prohaska, Kim Reyes, Racy Roberts, Haley San Fillippo, Kristelle San Fillippo, Krista Schuyler, Trina Schuyler, Joyce Skenandore, Opal Skenandore, Bonnie Smith, Charlene Smith, Naomi Smith, Jo Swamp, Jesse Torres, Pat Ulrich, Bob Ulrich, David Ushakow, Gary Ushakow, Gloria Wheelock, Jay Wheelock, Huston Wheelock, Priscilla Zakhar, Candice Zielinski. (*All of our volunteers are important to us and we appologize if we did not include your name. Please contact us if your name is not included in the above list.*)

ATTENTION:

All Community Members

One of our young community members is in need of a "kidney transplant". Jessica is now on the waiting list for a transplant. It's possible for any healthy person to be a donor. If you are interested, you can call Jessica's nurse Nancy at 414-385-2550. Tell them you are interested in being tested for a match for Jessica, that is on the kidney transplant list. You may also just call to ask questions of what criteria you must meet to be a donor. Who know's you may be a match?

Jessica will also appreciate your thoughts and prayers.

Volunteers needed for Indian Summer Booth in September

Please call and get your name on the list early as the slots fill up fast!

The date for Indian Summer is the 9th-10th & 11th of September. SEOTS 384-7740

Water Aerobics at Pulaski Pool

Meet at Pulaski Pool at 9:30 for the 10:00 water aerobics class. Great fun taught by instructors from the pool. The cost is \$3.00. For your own safety, if you have an existing medical condition, please check with your doctor to make sure water aerobics is an accepted activity for you to participate in. This is a fun community event for adults to enjoy together and at the same time exercise with less strenuous impact on your body!

Date: Thursdays, July 7, 14, 21 & 28.

Time: 10:00PM — Class starts promptly at 10:00PM

It's Your Choice — An MPS We Indians Program for Teens

The We Indians Program is sponsoring a program designed for Middle-school and High-school age students held at the SEOTS office beginning Monday, June 20, 2005 throughout the summer.

Middle School students will meet on...

Mondays 3:30PM-7:00PM
High School students will meet on...

Wednesday 3:30PM-7:00PM
At the Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services Office, 2778 South 35th Street.

The program will include extra-curricular activities, guest speakers, attendance incentives, bus tickets for transportation and evening meal will be included. Parents are welcome to attend. To join 'It's Your Choice' or if you have any questions call Mandy Arellano at 304-6121 or Charity Schwingle at 383-9526, ext. #307.

Cultural Heritage

Cultural heritage classes are on hold until further notice.

Van Trip to Oneida for the 4th of July Pow-wow

The van will take 10 people up for the Pow-wow on Saturday, July 2nd. We will leave at 8AM to arrive around 10AM. The afternoon is on your own. We will leave the pow-wow grounds by 6PM to return to Milwaukee by approximately by 8:30-9PM.

Date: Saturday, July 2nd
Time: 8AM — 8PM

Young at Heart Movie Day on Friday's

(with added date for Children's Movie day)

2 Movie Days...

Friday, July 1st at 1:30, SEOTS showing movie.

Adults only-'Ocean's Twelve'

Friday, July 15th at 1:30PM, SEOTS — **Family Movie. Must be accompanied by an adult.**

'Racing Stripes', A humorous story about a racing zebra.

Popcorn is FREE & Soda can be purchased for .50¢

Oneida language class

~ Taught weekly~

Oneida Language class is taught weekly by teachers from Milwaukee and guest teachers from Oneida! Families and children are welcome! Language teacher Mark Powless would like to see you come with your children. Part of the class is planned for fun and easy learning for our children. They are our lifeblood for the Oneida language. Please try to attend!

Oneida language classes are taught at SEOTS on a weekly basis with Oneida instructors. You can also access the language program during the week on computers available at SEOTS.

Dates: Saturdays, July 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th

Time: 10AM-12PM

Craft Class

Continued in the fall

Check your monthly Kaliwisaks for summer weekend classes.

Walk in for Veterans at the SEOTS Office

Rodney Pearsall, a staff member from the Milwaukee Veterans Center will be available for any questions and will provide available information to Veterans without an

appointment once a month at SEOTS. The Vet's Center provides services to all war veterans and their families. They also work closely with the VA Hospital and several agencies and organizations to provide the best care for the veteran.

Date: Friday, July 1st
Time: 10:00AM-1:00PM

Place: SEOTS

Kids Klub

Kids Klub is for children ages 7-12. Children will do a variety of native crafts, go on out-door trips, learn some Oneida language, and have snacks. One trip will require a parent to attend. It's a fun way to learn culture and tradition! A permission slip will be required and please have your child bring a brown bag lunch each time they attend.

Date: Tuesday, June 28th, Tuesday, July 5th, Monday, July 11th, Monday July 18th.

Time: 10-3PM

Indian Child Welfare Presentation

Indian Child Welfare representative Jennifer Kruse from Oneida will be in Milwaukee on Thursday, July 7th from 12-2PM. She will discuss adoptions and foster care regarding Native American children. Please come if you have any questions regarding this topic. Please bring a dish to share if possible.

Date: Thursday, July 7th
Time: 12-2pm

Iroquois Women and Responsibilities

Dr. Carol Cornelius from Oneida will be coming down to explain our traditional roles and responsibilities as Iroquois women. It will be an interesting and fun day we can spend together. Please attend for a great afternoon and if possible bring a dish to share!

Date: Monday, August 1st
Time: 10:00-3:00PM

MAIRN — Milwaukee Area Indian Resource Network meeting

If you are an agency or a business new to the area, attend this meeting. Area Native agencies and businesses meet once a month to share helpful information about our community, such as: Contacts, What's happening in Indian country, Available grants, How to help our community

and Where to go for help. This is a must for area Indian agencies and businesses.

Date: Wednesday, July 27
Time: 12:00-2:00PM

Place: Native American Ministry, Methodist Church, 1738 So. 11th Street, Basement

Potluck ~ Potluck ~ Potluck

Computer lab now available for use

Use the lab for job search, school papers, resumes, information research and language study. Come and check out the lab. Classes will be coming and you will need to sign up and get your name on the list. Names will be selected randomly. Classes will be 8 weeks in duration and will be conducted in groups of 4. The start of computer classes has not yet been determined. Any information will be announced in the coming months.

Call SEOTS for sign up. 384-7740

Oneida Singers

Oneida singers meet every Monday at 6:30PM at the SEOTS office. They are available for events and services. Please contact Mamie at 643-8972.

Veterans

Our Oneida veterans have a very busy summer ahead of them. They are planning to present colors at various events throughout the area as follows: May 30th— Memorial Day Parade; June 8-11th, Oglala Sioux Vets Pow-wow; Oneida Family Carnival, Norbert Hill; July 4th—Oneida Pow-wow; August 14 — Wisconsin State Fair Park; Vets Day Parade, September; Indian Summer Festivals; November 5th—Veterans Day Parade. We are proud of our Color Guard and all our Veterans. Keep up the good work!

Tsyunhehkwa

If you are interested in products from Tsyunhehkwa we may have what you're looking for at the SEOTS office. We carry dehydrated corn, dried corn, wild rice, salsa, jellies and jams. If there is anything you would like

that we don't carry we would be happy to pick it up for you on our monthly van trip to Oneida.

SEOTS Advisory Board meetings

The board meets on a regular basis every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. The public is invited.

Date: Tuesday, July 12 & 26th
Time: 6:00PM

Van Trip

Date: Wednesday, July 20th

Time: Van leaves at 8:00AM sharp and returns at approximately 5:30PM

SEOTS van trip and script pick-up

Script pick-up: Wednesday, July 6, 13, 20 & 27th

Last day to call in meds for the following Wednesday pick-up is no later than 4:00PM each FRIDAY! You must order meds the week BEFORE each pick up. You can not order the same week you are requesting a pick up unless you are going to pick up your meds or arrange to have someone else pick them up for you. Please do not hesitate to call us if you have any questions about this. **Always make 2 calls — SEOTS & PHARMACY** (*If you don't get your name on the SEOTS list, your meds will not be included in the pick up.*)

SEOTS Staff	
Mark Denning.....	Director
Anne.....	Administrative Asst.
Carmen.....	Administrative Asst.
Deb Ushakow.....	Community Education Specialist

The Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services (SEOTS) staff is here to serve you! If you haven't been to our office yet, please stop in! Check your Kalilwisaks for SEOTS News once a month for a listing of events. If you don't know the staff, come in and see us. The office is located at: 2778 South 35th Street. Phone: (414) 384-7740

VOTE...
Rosella Moss
ONCOA
Authorized and paid for by Rosella Moss

Vote **Metivier**
for a change...a good one!
As chair, I intend to direct the three year salary for a **Veterans Memorial** so I may be free to serve all people equally, and to honor the brave Oneida men, women, and children who preserve our freedoms.
Authorized and paid for by Yvonne Metivier

VOTE...
Valder John
ONCOA
Authorized and paid for by Valder John

Your opportunity to make a difference

Greetings,
My name is Ron Sommers. I am a prospective candidate for the Oneida Business Committee. I am asking for your support in July of this year.

I was born and raised in the Green Bay/Oneida area. My parents are Raymond and Lena Swamp (Sommers), also of Oneida. I have been married to my wife Cheryl for 35 years and we continue to make our home in Green Bay. We have two married daughters and recently became proud grandparents for the first time.

Prior to beginning my career with the tribe, I owned and operated my own dental lab in Appleton, Wisconsin. I was a small business owner for several years before selling to a larger firm.

I have now worked for the tribe for almost sixteen years. I began working for the bingo operation in October of 1989. During this time, I have witnessed the growth and expansion of our gaming operations and have played a part in the tribes growth. I have served on many Tribal Commissions and Boards, in a number of different capacities. Currently, I am working in the Gaming Marketing Department as a Community Relations Coordinator.

To represent a 'Proud' and 'Progressive' community such as Oneida. I know I can do the job. I can bring knowledge and experience to that office along with dignity, and the honor that it deserves. I have been involved with community events, and I have personal contacts at all levels of government.

1. I would like to see the respect and honor brought back to our Oneida Elders, something they richly deserve.
2. For our Oneida Veterans, a program that encompasses' all Oneida Veterans. No matter which branch of service they have served in. They also deserve more respect and
3. To concentrate on our own Oneida
4. I, along with other Oneida members would work to develop our own retirement or endowment plan that will enhance our standard of living here in Oneida.

These are just some of the changes I would advocate for within our community, should I be elected to office.

Authorized/paid for by Ron Sommers



Ron Sommers

Legislative Review

Vice Chairwoman's Corner...

The campaign season has begun. On July 16, 2005 General Elections will take place to elect a new Business Committee, along with other Boards and Commissions. You are starting to see a lot of articles from candidates running for these positions, so I see no reason to include comments in this article.

I have been through several campaigns and usually look for a period of time before elections when actual work seemed to slow down. That is not happening this time. There seems to be so much in the "work in progress" stage that the Committee is maintaining a busy schedule.

It is unfortunate that we can't say the land claim settlement agreement is a done deal. This is due primarily to the ongoing efforts of Madison and Oneida Counties attempts to reach an accord with New York Oneida. We do not expect the Governor to delay much longer before introducing a new bill to the State

Legislature. They are scheduled to recess on June 23 and many parties want to see this resolved before that time.

My work as a member of the Tribal Technical Advisory Group to the Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services continues as we move closer to the implementation of the Medicare Part D program in January, 2006. Training is occurring for some of the clinic staff and contracts are being reviewed. Because of the complexities in dealing with Indian country, there are still many unanswered questions. CMS and TTAG hopes to address this within the next couple of months.

The primary hurdle I see is the lack of incentive for Tribal Elders to enroll in a plan which will cost then \$37 a month in premium payments, when many can already get there prescription filled at the Oneida Community Health Center with no cost to them. There is a benefit to the Health Center, in that the cost of the prescription may be

recovered from Medicare, allowing IHS revenue to be used in other health areas. We are still trying to figure out a way to minimize or eliminate the cost of the premium to the Elder. But even while we try to work out these issues we are still going to be encouraging you to enroll in the program.

In the next couple of months we will aggressively work to complete the land claims settlement, lobby



**Vice-Chairwoman
Kathy Hughes**

Congress for approval of the Indian Health Care Act and oppose amendments to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. Opening up IGRA paves the way to do serious damage to Tribes sovereignty. We feel the concerns regarding land into trust can be dealt with outside of IGRA.

The hot topic on the local level is the goings on at the Health Center. It is true Doctors are leaving.

Contracts are up and they are moving on for various reasons. We have a new man in charge, Bill Wild. He is working to fill the gaps to maintain coverage. If you are not getting answers to your questions, please call me or anyone on the Business Committee. There are a lot of rumors and we want to make sure correct information is being put forward. You will see many forms being used in the next couple of weeks to try to dispel any inaccurate information that may be floating around the community. In addition, a petition has been received so a GTC meeting will be scheduled to have further discussion on the issues.

You are also seeing Public Hearings for work that has been ongoing for over a year. This involves some much needed amendments to various laws, codes and ordinances. While it may seem as though some last minute legislation is being pushed through, the Committee is just continuing with the normal process for new legislation. Whether or not anything will come forward for final approval is contingent on the degree of comments received through the hearing process. More work may be required which means all efforts taken thus far will be turned over to the incoming Committee for follow up.

VOTE - VOTE - VOTE

2005 Election

- July 16, 2005 -
NHC Cafeteria

EXECUTIVE SESSION Land Claims GTC Meeting

NORBERT HILL CENTER BC-Conference Room
Saturday
June 11, 2005
- 10:00 A.M.

AGENDA ITEMS

- I. Settlement Agreement
- II. Distribution Plan Update
- III. Thames Correspondence Update
- IV. Legislation Update

Please bring your Tribal I.D. for check-in purposes.

ONEIDA NATION

Public Hearing Notice

PURPOSE: Pardons - A pardon is the formal and public act of forgiveness of a crime. The pardon is available to tribal members only and is effective within the Oneida tribal Employment System only.

DATE: June 30, 2005
PLACE: Legislative Operating Committee Conference Room, 2nd Floor Norbert Hill Center, Oneida, WI
TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PROCESS:

1. **REGISTRATION**
All petitioners must register witnesses (in support of the pardon) twenty-four (24) hours prior to the Public Hearing by 12:00 noon on Wednesday, June 29, 2005 by contacting Denise Vigue at 920-869-4372.
2. **TESTIMONY**
 - A. **Oral:** Each witness will be limited to 5 minutes. Witnesses who have not Pre-registered will not be allowed to testify. There will be no exceptions.
 - B. **Written:** Must be submitted on or within 5 days of public hearing date.
 - C. **Witnesses:** Who wish to testify against the granting of a pardon must register twenty-four (24) hours prior to the Public Hearing date. There will be no exceptions.

The Public Hearing has been set to comply with the one week notice prior to the Public Hearing. [per the Oneida Pardon Ordinance 5.5-5 Process. (c.)]

The following pardon applicants will be considered at the above mentioned Pardon Public Hearing: *Tyrone Barber, Sandra Murphy, Diana L. Wilber, Daniel Duxtator, Jacqueline Skenandore, Angel F. Guillermo, Pauline Wallenfang*

Sheku, First and foremost I would like to start this article by wishing everyone the best of health and happiness as we begin our summer season. I would like to inform the community about a resolution that had been introduced in the last session of Congress. Last year, Senator Sam Brownback, a republican from Kansas, introduced the Apology resolution. The resolution is titled, "A joint resolution to acknowledge a long history of official deprivations and ill-conceived policies by the United States government regarding Indian tribes and offers an apology to all Native peoples on behalf of the United States." When the resolution was initially introduced, it was passed unanimously by the Senate Indian Affairs Committee. However, the resolution never came up for a vote amid objections from the Bush Administration and concern among several tribal leaders.

Most recently, Senator Brownback, along with Senators Byron Dorgan (D-ND) and Christopher Dodd (D-CT) reintroduced the resolution on the Senate floor. The resolution is a meaningful starting point for addressing the wrongs that have occurred to Indian people in this country. This historic event marks the federal gov-

ernment's first effort to extend an official apology for the years of misconduct and mishandling of Indian issues. Coupled with the continued commitment to federal Indian programs like education, housing and health, it may be the first step of a reconciliation process between tribes and the United States government. Senator Brownback's name rarely appears on legislation affecting Native Americans. In recent years, in fact, the conservative lawmaker has been on the opposing end of tribes, particularly when it comes to Indian gaming. That is why Tex Hall, NCAI President and Chairman of the Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Tribes in North Dakota, was surprised to receive a phone call from Senator Brownback in regards to this resolution. Senator Brownback called to talk about some of the historical wrongdoings against Native Americans and asked what the government could possibly do. President Hall responded to his question by simply stating, "You know the United States has never really formally apologized." Senator Brownback replied by saying, "Yeah, I know."



**Councilman
Paul Ninham**

This conversation immediately began the work between Senator Brownback's staff, NCAI, and some tribes to develop a formal apology to the first Americans. The Bush administration, on the other hand, was concerned that the measure could expose the government to additional liability for its treatment of Native peoples. Senator Brownback, however, said that resolution "will not authorize or serve as a settlement of any claim against the United States, nor will it resolve the many challenges still facing Native people." However, it does recognize the negative impact of numerous federal acts and policies on Native Americans and their cultures. "Moreover, it begins the effort of reconciliation by recognizing the past wrongs and repenting for them", as stated by Senator Brownback.

Tex Hall is quoted as saying, "This is a great moment and while the resolution does not come with compensation, the fact that Congress is even considering an official apology to Indian country is a testament to our growing political strength."

I agree with President Hall's statement that we are a growing political strength, but it is sad that the Federal Government has only recently considered apologizing to Indian People. The consideration should be based on merit and not political influence nor the growing presence of Tribal representation in Washington, D.C. Several Tribal leaders around Indian Country have not bought into the context of the Apology Resolution due to the fact that Tribes have been grossly under-funded within the Federal budgeting process. Their belief is to skip the Apology Resolution and start funding Tribes at 100% of budget needs. It is my belief the Apology Resolution is an initial step for the Federal Government to acknowledge that genocide against Indians was not only common practice but federal policy. Indian People have been dealing with "cultural pain" for hundreds of years. The healing needs to begin now.

On a final note, since the Apology Resolution was initially introduced as a bill and is now in the form of a resolution, it does not need the signature of President Bush. If you would like additional information regarding the Resolution, please contact my office at 920-869-4450.

The Business Committee has received a petition for a GTC Meeting to address concerns regarding the Oneida Community Health Center. The concerns in the petition are as follows:

1. Investigate reasons for resignation of 3 adult health care doctors whom have resigned during this reorganization period and review current contracting practices of physicians.
2. Investigate rumors regarding elimination of IHS funds and to begin charging community members for health care services.
3. Investigate proposed discontinued services to Oneida SEOTS.
4. Investigate current HIPPA violations.
5. Request "Re-organization Plan" which includes the proposed constructing of an Oneida hospital as profit making business.

On June 29, 2005, the BC will approve scheduling a special GTC meeting to address the concerns raised in the petition. Watch for the date to be posted and mailed shortly thereafter. Meanwhile, the Oneida Health Board and Management are working together to formulate a com-

munication plan to send regular updates to the community regarding the restructure and the necessary actions that are being taken to ensure continued medical and pharmaceutical services are stabilized.

The Legislative Operating Committee's last meeting for this session is scheduled for June 6, 2005. However, due to the timing of public hearings on the Hunting, Fishing, & Trapping Law and the Law Enforcement Ordinance, a special meeting will be required to review the comments and finalize any changes. The next session of the LOC will begin on September 12, 2005 with the new administration.

Draft #16 of the Personnel Management, Chapter 91 of the Labor Code has been introduced through public hearings on May 17 & 19, 2005. To provide adequate input on this draft, 6 public hearings were held, followed by 2 community meetings. During this process, we heard



**Councilwoman
Trish King**

many comments ranging from strong opposition to support. Our goal was to get a draft to the Semi-annual GTC meeting in July. Unfortunately we were unable to meet the printing timeline of the semiannual GTC meeting book. Based on the comments received during the public hearing and community meetings, a draft #17 will be worked on and forwarded to the new Administration for completion. I would like to thank everyone who provided comments to this document. Your participation is truly appreciated.

The Business Committee is finalizing Service Agreement negotiations with the Town of Oneida and Outagamie County. We are expecting completion by the end of June, 2005. Negotiations with Brown County are still pending, and agreements have been finalized with the Villages of Ashwaubenon and Hobart. Bruce King is our lead negotiator and is working closely with my office, as liaison, to

complete the negotiations.

As we come to the end of this Administration, the Committee is diligently working to complete or finalize pending projects, maintain daily operations and contacts with local governments, state and national organizations, and prepare for the transition of the newly elected committee. With vacations, holidays, elections and many planned community events going on, scheduling meetings can be quite challenging.

I would like to extend my congratulations to all the graduates of 2005. Good luck and best wishes as you journey on toward achieving your goals in life and fulfilling your career aspirations.

There's plenty of community events to keep us all entertained this summer, starting with the Family Carnival, and looking forward to events such as the Annual Pow-wow, County Fairs, Community House-parties, camping, golf tournaments and baseball games.

Enjoy the summer everyone.

Candidate Profiles

Mercie Danforth

Age: 41
Current Occupation: Oneida Business Committee - Treasurer
Education: High School Diploma, Associates Degree - Accounting
Family: Parents: Carol & Everett Cornelius, Husband: Bruce Danforth, Children: Irene Danforth, Bruce Danforth Jr., Crystal Danforth, Granddaughter: Sofia Danforth, Siblings: Margaret Danforth, Larry Cornelius, Jerry Cornelius, Vinnie Cornelius, Neal Cornelius, and Tony Cornelius
Political Experience: Prior to becoming the Treasurer three years ago, I worked as the Budget Manager for 7 years and in the Accounting Department as a Payroll clerk and Supervisor for 11 years. I have actively participated in General Tribal Council for the past 18 years.
Community Involvement: Life-long community member. I enjoy singing with the Oneida Singers, participating in fund-raising efforts for the Oneida Nation High School students and various Tribal Departments, and am an active bench sitter at many

community sporting events.
Important Issue/Platform: With the Oneida Nation continually diversifying economically and financially, the need for fiscal policy is ever increasing. I will continue to work cooperatively with the Oneida Business Committee and the Nation's professional staff to develop policy that strives to promote financial stability and success. If re-elected, I would continue to work on and improve the manner in which financial information is reported to the Business Committee, the organization, and the General Tribal Council. During this term we have worked diligently to improve the financial information to these three areas and have completed new reporting formats for the Business Committee and the General Tribal Council. The purpose of reformatting these areas is to provide the information that is important to all three areas, so they may utilize it and understand it for their specific purposes.



Mercie Danforth

Lee VanRoy Thomas

Age: 37
Current Occupation: Accounting Manager - Enterprise
Education: Bachelors Degree in Accounting - Lakeland College - 2000, Associate Degree in Accounting - NWTC - 1993, Seymour High School Graduate 1985
Family: Paula Kay (married 4 years), Cassandra Lee - 11 yr. old daughter, Amanda Rose - 7 yr. old daughter. Son of the late Robert L. Thomas and Winnifred L. Thomas, grandson of the late Lee G. McLester II and Pearl McLester and the late VanRoy and Rose Thomas.
Community Involvement: Assisting with the closeout of financial records for the Oneida Community Market Coop (Tower Foods). Assisting in the development

of policies and procedures for accessing funds through the Oneida Small Business, Inc.
Important Issue/Platform: I anticipate bringing 11 plus years of Accounting experience to assist the Oneida Nation in developing informed financial decisions that will impact our future generations. I will share accurate financial information in a timely manner to the GTC while working towards updating and enhancing internal controls for all Tribal departments. I will also strive to continue to strengthen our relationships with other Tribal nations as well as our surrounding communities.



Lee VanRoy Thomas

Richard Moss

Age: 56
Current Occupation: Gaming Valet Manager for 13 years
Family: Mother: Rosella Metoxen - Moss, Wife: Ruth Ann Moss for 30 years, Son: Larry (Lawrence) Moss, Daughter: Janelle Roske, Grandchildren 5
Political Experience: None, I try to attend all G.T.C. meetings, learning about our Tribal affairs. If elected I plan on being a Public Servant working for all Oneidas not a politician.
Community Involvement: 3 1/2 years on the Oneida Health Board, working with others I hope to insure the best possible health care for our membership.
Important Issue/Platform:
 1. If elected I will strive to make the best use of our Tribal Assets using Budget controls, Trust and endowment funds plus steady safe investment of our money.
 2. I will give G.T.C. com-

plete reports showing any expenditures over fifty (50) thousand dollars. Plus list all departments over budget report will be given at semiannual and annual meetings, more often if requested by G.T.C.
 3. My office will be open to all Tribal members, if you have a question that I do not know the answer to, I will find the answer and pass the information back to you as soon as possible.
 4. Working with other B.C. members I will strive to ensure that Oneidas receive the best Health care possible. Our Health Center needs to be #1 not 3 or 4 in the Fox Valley area.
 5. G.T.C. needs full knowledge on how we invest our money. Limits need to be addressed with G.T.C. approval to invest over set limits honored.



Richard Moss

Deadline submission dates for remaining BC candidates

Following are the deadline dates for the remaining positions on the Business Committee that will be provided:
June 15th - Vice-Chair
June 29th - Chair

Candidates will have until **4 P.M. on the scheduled deadline dates to submit their information.**

Also, we are requesting all candidates who plan to advertise to please submit your information as early as possible along with payment. This will allow us sufficient time to prepare your information. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of the following: Yvonne Kaquatosh at (920) 869-4280 or via email: yklaquato@oneidanation.org or Phil Wisneski at (920) 869-4279 or via e-mail: pwisnesk@oneidanation.org

Notice to Candidates

Candidates vying for various positions within the Tribal Organization who are planning to advertise in upcoming issues of the Kalihwisaks, are requested to adhere to established policies in regard to submissions.

Once the ad is set-up, you'll have only one (1) opportunity to make any necessary changes. We expect to become quite busy prior to the election in setting up ads, etc. and we'd like to stream line submissions in a timely fashion so as not to inhibit our layout/design process of the paper to meet our established deadline with our printer.

Please include a phone number where you can be reached at during the day should we need to follow up with you. Your anticipated cooperation is sincerely appreciated.

CALENDAR

EVENTS

June 10, 2005
Benefit for the Family of the late Marie Fay Smith (Skenandore)
Raffle • Food • Music • and More!
DATE: Friday, June 10
TIME: 5 P.M. - Midnight, 5-6 Social Hour, 6-7 Dinner, 7-8 Raffle & Silent Auction, 8-12 DJ Music
WHERE: Doxbee's Banquet, N6744 Cty. Rd. C
Cost: \$10.00 per person
CONTACT: Heather Jordan, (920) 819-5487. Financial contributions will be used to pay unpaid medical bills. Contributions exceeding expenses will be donated to the *Lupus Foundation of America*.

June 18 & 19, 2005
Oneida Sportsman Club
2005 Muskie Fishing Tournament
Open to the Public
DATE: Saturday, June 18 and Sunday, June 19, 2005
TIME: Saturday 6 A.M. - 9 P.M.
 Sunday 6 A.M. - 12 P.M.
WHERE: Lac Vieux Desert, North Shore Campground
Cost: \$25.00 per person
CONTACT: Jerry Jordan at (920) 336-4884 or James Green at (920) 833-7786/(920) 660-3093 for more information.

Tuesdays
Candidate Forum
DATE: Tuesdays in June (14, 21 & 28th)
WHERE: Parish Hall in Oneida
CONTACT: Cathy L. Metoxen (message #: 662-1213)
TIME: 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. (Refreshments, Set-up, 6:30 P.M.)
 Two (2) minute presentations - No exceptions
 For all candidates to meet and get their views to the People.

Thursdays
Women Reaching Women Support Group
DATE: Thursdays (ongoing)
WHERE: Three Sister's Library & Center
 2790 Oneste Lane (off of Mason St.)
CONTACT: Isabel Parker at (920) 498-3340
TIME: 12:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M. (12:30 talking circle, 1:30 crafts)
 Please come joins us. We'll support each other. All women are invited. Free transportation, lunch and child care provided. YWCA Swimming, Women's Closet. Hope to see you there!

June 30, 2005
Community OBC Candidates Forum
DATE: Thursday, June 30, 2005
WHERE: Wolf Room - Radisson
CONTACTS: Jennifer Hill-Kelley, Laura Manthe & Susan White
TIME: 3:30 P.M.-9:30 P.M.; 8:00 P.M.-9:30 P.M. Candidate Speeches (Open Mic)
 All community members are encourage to attend. This is an opportunity to meet and discuss community issues with candidates who want to represent you. *This is a community organized event. No Tribal Funds. Meal provided by the Candidates.*

Please call the *Kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280 or 4279 to include events in this section.



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Child Care Service meeting scheduled June 14

Submitted by Mary Motquin

Oneida Child Care Services
 The Oneida Child Care Services Program will be holding a Community Meeting to solicit written or verbal comments from the public on the provisions of child care services for the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF). The meeting will be held:
Thursday, June 14, 2005
 9:00AM to 11:00AM
 Social Services Building
 Center for Self Sufficiency
 Conference Room
 2640 West Point Road,
 Green Bay, WI
 The Child Care Developmental Fund is a single integrated child care fund under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act, and replaces the former AFDC related child care. Eligibility is limited to Native Americans. The plan covers

the period of October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006. These funds are planned to be used to help low income families working or preparing for work, pay for child care and to improve the quality of child care programming and services.

Information is provided in the plan to indicate how parents are informed of the availability of child care and different child care options, the process for applying for assistance, how eligibility for child care assistance is determined, co-payment, determination and reimbursement calculation, and the child care payment process. The plan includes the types of services and range of child care providers available to parents, limits on in-home child care availability, and the establishment of child care maximum rates, including rate setting procedures. The plan indi-

cates how licensing regulations are enforced, how complaints are recorded and how complaint information is made available to the public. Health and safety standards are indicated in the plan for both licensed and certified providers. In Wisconsin, most of these topics are determined by the State Statute through the legislative process and are reported in the CCDF Plan.

The purpose of the Child Care and Development Fund is to increase the availability, affordability, and quality of child care services. The goals of the CCDF are:

- 1) Allow flexibility for the grantee in developing child care programs and policies that best suite the needs of the children and parents within the community.
- 2) Promote parental choice to empower working parents to make their own deci-

sions on the child care that best suites their family's needs.

- 3) Encourage grantee to provide consumer education information to help parents make informed choices about child care.
 - 4) Assist grantees in providing child care to parents trying to achieve independence from public assistance.
 - 5) Assist grantees in implementing the health, safety, licensing, and registration regulations.
- A copy of the plan will be available at the community meeting. Written comments on the plan may be submitted to Mary Motquin, Oneida Child Care Services, P O Box 365, Oneida, WI, 54 54155 **no later than June 24, 2005.** If you prefer, my e-mail address is: mmotquin@oneidanation.org

Sports/Recreation

Oneida wrestlers need your help

A team of Oneida wrestlers will be competing in the first ever Native American National Championships in Denver, Colorado from June 28 to July 3.

There will be wrestlers from all over the country and Canada and Mexico.

The team is coached by Paul Cornette, Bret Duer, Davie Cornette and Thom Burke.

"We are a very young team, but at the same time we have five national champions on our team," said coach Paul Cornette.

The team is in dire need of funds to help offset some of the costs of the trip. The team has had food sales and is looking for more ways to raise money.

The team would like to thank previous donors: Oneida Housing Board, Gaming Commission, Oneida Farms, Blue Harbor Sea Food, Wise Women Gathering Place, and V&G Skillet.

The team consists of: Eddy Santiago, Joe Santiago, Les Cornette, Eli Cornette, Victor Hernandez, Merit Stevens, Chelsea Cornette, Kamereon Matchopatow, Cory Jordan, Dustin Fish, Jim Bob Fish, Tyson McNaughtan, Eddy Joe Skenandore and Dan Skenandore.

Watch for future fund raisers in the Oneida community and help support the team in efforts to bring the championship home to Oneida.

Danforth sprints to state finals

By Phil Wisneski

Kalihwisaks

Seymour junior Gerald Danforth was a busy guy the last week of May and first week in June.

Danforth placed ninth in the WIAA Division 2 100 meter dash on June 3. He missed qualifying for the finals by .05 seconds. He ran a time of 11.56 seconds.

His ninth place finish in the 100 meter dash is the best by an Oneida athlete in modern history.

At the May 26 WIAA Sectional at Two Rivers, he placed third in the 100 meter dash behind eventual state champion Ivan Swendrzynski of Wautoma and Coty Rosin, also of Wautoma.

He ran a time of 11.61 seconds.

Also at the Two Rivers Sectional, Danforth along with fellow Oneidas Gabe Vega and Joe Mehojah and teammate Craig Palubicki placed fifth in the 4X 100 meter relay. They clocked a time of 45.01 seconds and missed out on fourth place by a half second.

Danforth wasn't quite finished as he was also part of

the Seymour 4X200 relay team. His team placed 8th in the sectional with a time of 1:35.26. The rest of the team included Joe Mehojah, Craig Palubicki and Shane Grove.

West De Pere's Skenandore places 8th and 12th in Sectional

Isaiah Skenandore of West De Pere placed 8th in the shot put at the Division 2 Two Rivers Sectional. He also placed 12th in the discus.

His best throw of the day in the shot put was 47'3.75". That was about five feet short of qualifying for state.

In the discus event, Skenandore had a toss of 128'07.5".

Oneida Nation's Danforth places 12th in discus at WIAA Sectionals

Irene Danforth placed 12th at the WIAA Division 3 Sectional at Princeton. Her best toss was 90'08". She needed two more feet to advance to the finals and get a chance at the state meet.

This was Danforth's second trip to Sectionals as she advanced two years ago as a sophomore in the same event.



Photo courtesy of Visual Image Photography (www.vipis.com) Seymour's Gerald Danforth raced to a ninth place finish at the WIAA State Track and Field finals in LaCrosse on June 3. Danforth also ran in the 4X100 meter relay and 4X200 meter relay.

Oneida Nation High School athletes of the year

Each year Oneida Nation High School teachers and coaches select a male and female athlete of the year. For the first time in school history the female category was a tie. Seniors Rhiannon Boyd and Irene Danforth were both selected as the female athletes of the year 2005, while junior Jonas Hill took home the male honor.

Danforth excelled in volleyball, basketball, softball and especially track. She advanced to the WIAA Sectional for the second time this last Spring and has set numerous school records.

Boyd also participated in volleyball, basketball and softball.

Although Hill participated in only one sport, he was dominant in the sport of golf. He also qualified for the WIAA Sectionals. Hill averaged a 40 in nine hole matches and 80 in 18 hole matches. He was the medalist in 8 of 11 matches for the season.

Wisconsin Indian Golf Association tees off season

The Wisconsin Indian Golf Association started the golf season off with the Oneida Nation Tournament on May 21- 22. Over 100 participants form through out the state enjoyed two days of competitive golf and renewed old

friendships with fellow association members. The tournament was held at Royal St. Patrick's Golf Links in Wrightstown. The tournament recognized all junior golfers who golfed in the event, as they are the future of

Wisconsin Indian Golf Association. Special recognition was made to Ian Skenandore as the youngest golfer and to Purcell Powless as the senior member of the tournament.

The event format was a scramble with two person teams. Winners in the championship flight was Conrad King and Joe King. Second

place was Leroy King and Tim Skenandore. First place in the first flight was Paul and Bugs Danforth. Second place went to John Thomas and Waylon Denny. Second flight champions were Mike Tribbe and Ike Fleming. Runners up were James Elm and Garth Webster. The team of Gregg Powless and Bla Nunies won the third flight championship,

while Darrel and Kirk John finished second.

The senior flight was won by JR Skenandore and Dean Tubby. Dale and Ken Webster finished second.

The women flight was won by Bobbi Webster and Monica Nunies. Myrtle Mack and Regina Warrington placed second.

The organization would like to thank all the sponsors for this year's event. Sponsors include: Gramas Diner, Natures Way, J. Dalton Institute, Oneida Nation, Bear Paw Keepsakes and Art Gallery, J & A Quick Lube, Fry Bread Heaven, The Hill Group LLC, Oneida Thunderwash, Navigator Planning Group, MVP Sports Bar, Mercier's Hidden Valley Driving Range, S.C. Grand, Radisson Hotel and Conference Center, Artley Skenandore, Bobbi Webster, John Breuninger, Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems (OCIFS), Oneida Communications, Dale Webster, Ernie Stevens Jr., and Webster Enterprises.



Photos submitted by WIGA Over 100 golfers participated in the Oneida Nation WIGA golf tournament on May 21-22 at Royal St. Patrick's Golf Links in Wrightstown. Conrad King and Joe King won the championship flight.

Oneida Tae Kwon Do excels in Oshkosh

Submitted by Oneida Family Fitness

More than a dozen Oneida students recently traveled to Oshkosh to participate in the 17th annual American Black Belt Academy Tae Kwon Do tournament. Just two months ago, many of the martial arts students competed at the Oneida Tae Kwon Do tournament and they decided to try their luck on the road in Oshkosh.

The turnout was big and the competition divisions were tough, but the Oneida Tae Kwon Do students rose to the challenge and represented themselves, their instructors, and Oneida with courage and athleticism. Every single competitor came home with an award. Martial arts instructors Kevin Schoenebeck and Adam Brown wish to express congratulations for a job well done to all the Oneida students.

The following Oneida Tae

Kwon Do students successfully competed in the American Black Belt Academy Invitational tournament: Amanda Walsh, Brandi Metoxen, Sienna Metoxen, Raeden Metoxen, Griffin

Summers, Jordan Bain, DuWayne Matson, Aaron Bunker, Byron Halona, Logan Walsh, Grant Walsh, Talon Skenadore, and Bradley Brown.



Photos submitted by Oneida family Fitness Raedon Metoxen and Sienna Metoxen show off their awards from the Oshkosh tournament.

RE-ELECT

Vince DelaRosa FOR ONEIDA COUNCILMAN

I want to start by saying it's been a true honor to represent the Oneida people. No matter what happens this July, I've been blessed to spend six years working on behalf of the Oneida people.

In late March of this year I made the decision to run for one final term on the Oneida Business Committee. This July I'll be on the ballot for the office of Oneida Councilman. Voting for the Oneida Business Committee will be held on Saturday, July 16, 2005, I'd greatly appreciate your vote.

During my career, the position of Councilman has been one of my most honored responsibilities. As a leader, I've worked hard to bring a new sense of progressive reform to the Oneida Tribe. During my tenure we've seen the Oneida's laws advance from a booklet of loose policies and laws to an organized (and researchable) set of policies and laws. We've seen open records become a reality and we've utilized technology (www.on-loc.org) to make the government more accessible. I helped create a viable small business funding instrument (Oneida Small Business Project 2000) which has helped many Oneida business people pursue their business dreams.

I also kept my commitment to work on improving the wage structure of the tribe. Over the last two years more than 900 plus employees were re-positioned and granted a new market-based pay scale; "That's solid and proven leadership!" But there is more work to do on behalf of those employees that only received marginal increases. I'm aware this has occurred to some of you and I hope to address that issue if re-elected.

I am proud of my work on behalf of the Oneida People. I believe I've served the people well. When I've witness policies that

needed challenging, I've challenged them. When I've see incompetency, I've questioned it. When I've witnessed unfairness, I've stood against it! Today, we stand on the brink of greatness while seemingly, miles away from achieving all that we desire. This is why I desire one more term as a Councilman.

The future for Oneida is loaded with both challenges and opportunities. It's going to take solid leadership to capitalize on the opportunities while pro-actively addressing the challenges. On the State of Wisconsin level, we're faced with the daunting reality that we may get pulled into a nasty political and legal battle over Indian gaming. On the federal level we see a never-ending tension between the Federal government's trust responsibilities and Indian gaming's success.

This July Oneida people will place into office leaders who will have to utilize knowledge, intellect, smarts and political savvy to effectively represent your interest on a wide-ranging landscape of issues. Accordingly, I believe I represent a solid choice at the ballot box and I'd respectfully ask for your vote on July 16th.

In closing, I want to thank those people that have provided valuable friendship and support throughout the years. To my mother Shirley, my Aunt Diane and to all my brothers and sisters, thank you. To Jennifer, and to our children Chandler, Matthew and Quintin, you all mean so very much to me, thanks for being there. Also, to all my cousins, nephews, nieces and close friends, thanks for all the years of support.

Sincerely,

Vince DelaRosa Candidate for Oneida Councilman

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Lifestyles

June 9, 2005

Section Two

ONAP to kick off Summer House Parties June 23

Special to the Kalihwisaks
The Oneida Nation Arts Program (ONAP) has announced the line up for the 5th Annual Oneida Summer House Parties.

The first house party entitled, 'Jigging at the Farm', will have performances by Cherry Bounce and Col.

Boodie on Thursday, June 23 at the Oneida Nation Farm, N6034 County C, Seymour.

The next scheduled event, 'Rock N' Reggae Concert' with *Strong Medicine Band* and *Casper & Root Awakening*, is scheduled for Thursday, July 14. The concert will be held at the

Norbert Hill Center, Hwy 54 and Seminary Rd., Oneida.

The August line up will include:

'Music Under the Stars Concert' featuring Annie Humphrey Singer/Songwriter on Thursday, August 4 at the Sculpture Gardens at Oneida Cultural Heritage, 3703

Hillcrest Dr. Green Bay, WI.

A picnic is planned to begin at 5:30 p.m. at all three events with music to follow at 6 p.m.

Suggested donations, Cost: \$8 adults, \$5 elders, \$3 child.

For more information, contact: Beth 490-3831; Kirby 869-4275.

A **Poetry Slam Boot Camp for Young Adults** will round out the Summer House Parties.

Denise Sweet, Poet Laureate of Wisconsin will be coordinating the three day event that will be held August 15-18, 2005 at the Oneida Nation Arts Program, 1270B Packerland Dr., Green Bay, WI.

The times of the event have yet to be determined.

There will be limited seating and registration *will be required*.

For more information, please contact the Oneida Nation Arts Program at (920) 490-3830 or visit the website: www.oneidanationarts.org

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Bayfest celebrates 25th year at UW-Green Bay starting Thursday

GREEN BAY – Bayfest, the largest music and food festival north of Milwaukee's Summerfest, kicks off its 25th year on the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay campus Thursday (June 9).

The community festival provides scholarship support for UW-Green Bay student-athletes and also benefits many community nonprofit organizations.

Bayfest is expected to draw about 80,000 people to the campus for musical performances (more than 30 bands), 25 international and domestic food operations, fireworks, carnival rides, a marketplace and children's activities.

Admission is \$8 for adults and free for children 12 and under. Special prices include a \$15 four-day event pass that includes free parking after initial purchase at the door, admission for 25 cents from noon to 4 p.m. Friday with a donation of a box or can of

non-perishable food, and free admission, parking and carnival rides from 11 a.m. to noon Sunday. Advance tickets are available at a 25 percent discount at area North Shore Bank locations.

UW-Green Bay Chancellor Bruce Shepard said thousands of people from the Green Bay area and beyond visit the University campus for the annual festival.

"Bayfest has become a community tradition because of the commitment of many dedicated people and the support of a generous community," Shepard said.

Festival hours are Thursday, 6 p.m. to midnight; Friday, noon to midnight; Saturday, noon to midnight; and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

More information about Bayfest and directions to the UW-Green Bay campus are available on the Bayfest Web site at: <http://www.uwgb.edu/bayfest/>

Chris Isaak added to Pavilion Nights elite list of entertainment

Chris Isaak is the latest addition of an elite cast of entertainers who are scheduled to perform at Oneida Bingo & Casinos Pavilion Nights.

Pavilion Nights kicked off in May with three awesome performances that included: Sammy Hagar & The Wabos on Tuesday May 10th, Jo Dee Messina on Wednesday, May 25th, and Social Distortion on Tuesday May 31st.

Everclear set the stage, kicking off the June line up on Wednesday, June 8th.

The Summer will be sizzling with excitement as the dates draw closer with each scheduled act. Following is the line up scheduled through September:

- **Cheap Trick**, Thursday June 23, \$15
- **Los Lonely Boys**, Monday, June 27, \$20
- **Whitesnake**, Thursday, July 7th, \$20
- **Dwight Yoakam**, Thursday July 21, \$25
- **Billy Idol**, Wednesday, July 27, \$25
- **Chris Isaak**, August 2, \$20
- **Velvet Revolver**, Monday, August 15, \$30
- **Buddy Guy & JonnyLang**, Thursday,

August 25, \$30

- **Martina McBride**, Thursday Sept 1, 30.
- **Ted Nugent**, September 6 (this date was changed from Sept. 8) \$20

Be sure to dress accordingly for this outdoor festival-style venue. Beginning at 4pm on the day of the concert, you must go to the mall area and exchange your ticket for a wristband in order to enter the gated area of the pavilion. All ages are welcome to all pavilion night shows and all acts and times are subject to change. The majority of the pavilion is standing room only. Gates open 3 hours prior to show time, Pavilion opens 1 hour prior to show time.

Tickets may be purchased for all Pavilion Nights shows at the Main Casino Concierge with Cash, VISA, MasterCard or Discover, at all TicketStar locations, or call 1-800-895-0071 to charge by phone through TicketStar. You may also purchase on the internet at www.pmiwi.com Limit of 8 tickets per person, per show.

Check out the following website to get your copy of the most current line up for the pavilion season: <http://www.oneidabingoandcasino.net>

Health/Enviro

Ozone Season and tribal air quality programs

By Jennifer K. Youngblood, RN
Air Quality Specialist
Oneida Environmental Health and Safety

Its that time again.....hazy sky, brown air that's "thick" and smelly with ozone. Ozone season like summer comes during a specific time of year. It begins in mid-April according to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and May 1st according to the United States Environmental

Protection Agency and ends when the weather begins to turn cold. Whenever ozone season starts or ends, ozone is both a friend and an enemy to those in the Oneida Community and beyond.

Ozone in the Earth's upper atmosphere is good. The ozone 10 to 30 miles above us protects us from the harmful

ultraviolet rays of the sun. However, the bad ozone that is near us, on the ground is what we typically see on hot summer days and is called "ground-level" ozone. At ground level, ozone is formed when pollutants emitted by power plants, cars, refineries, industrial boilers and other sources mix with sunlight. This is why ozone is of greatest concern during the summer months when its hot and there is lots of sunlight.

During ozone action days this summer, community members need to identify if they fall into one of the "risk" categories from ground-level ozone. Those community members who are at risk to being sensitive to ozone are : active children, active adults of all ages, people with asthma or other respiratory dis-

eases, and people with an unusual susceptibility to ozone. Damage to your body from ozone can even occur without symptoms. Damage to your lungs from ozone can remain even after any symptom disappear.

The best way to protect yourself from ozone is to limit the activities you do outside during an ozone action day and to limit your contact

to ozone. Also, find out when ozone levels are elevated and during these times, minimize your outdoor activity.

For more information on ozone action days along with ozone and your health, please call Jennifer K. Youngblood, RN Air Quality Specialist at (920) 496-5337.

Air Program Happenings:

Saturday April 23, 2005 : Earth Day Outreach at the Oneida Community Library: Reading of Dr. Seuss The Lorax

Thanks to All of the Oneida Library Staff and families for attending and participating!!

Thursday May 5th Tribal Air Program Outreach to Ms. Osterberg's 7th and 8th grade & Classes. Thank you to all the students who participated.

May was clean air month!!! I have brochures available on topics like exercising during bad air days and home checklists for indoor air pollution. Call or stop by for a copy or information.

The poster contest was a smash, we will be announcing winners within the next two weeks. See the next issue of Kalihwisaks for further updates

Wells and Septic report

Submitted by Gerald L. Kurowski
Project Manager and
Katherine Powless
Office Coordinator

Projects In Progress: BE-02-C30 - Force Main Site I/II Wastewater - Construction of 8" force main project from Site I to Site II along Ranch and Seminary Road in Oneida. Total estimated project cost is \$796,000.00. Funding: EPA Grant \$481,200.00, Oneida Housing Authority Contribution: \$230,000.00, Tribal Contribution: \$ 84,800.00. Progress: Project in progress

BE-04-C78 - Individual Scattered Sites/2004 - For construction of sanitation facilities to serve other category homes on the Oneida Indian Reservation, Brown and Outagamie counties, Wisconsin. This project will provide \$184,000.00 to construct sanitation facilities to serve eight (8) homes. Estimated cost \$212,00.00. Funding: \$184,00.00. Progress: Project in progress

Well Drilling Costs The cost of well drilling has gone up due to a "Special Well Casing Pipe Depth Area" for the Outagamie and Winnebago Counties, Wisconsin.

Below is an excerpt from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources website:

Special Well Casing Depth Area for Outagamie and Winnebago Counties - Effective October 1, 2004 - State Private Well Code NR 812(3) Special casing areas have been established by the Wisconsin DNR for specific areas within the arsenic advisory area where naturally occurring arsenic contamination is affecting existing wells.

How will this affect you: Since a specific amount of casing is required from DNR, the cost of well drilling will be quite high. In general an estimated amount for well drilling used to be \$3,000.00. Due to the change in the well code the cost will now be estimated in the amount of \$13,000.00 for a well drilling. Not only in cost is their a difference but in the amount of time it now takes to drill a well. Normally it takes half a day, it will now take three to four days. If you plan to build a new home with a well, you will have to consider the additional costs to your finances.

FoodShare Wisconsin update

The FoodShare Program provides food assistance to eligible households by means of a plastic debit card that you use like cash to buy food at grocery stores. Over 340,000 Wisconsin citizens use FoodShare each month to stretch their food budgets. Households may receive an average of \$175. per month.

ELIGIBILITY

Low-income individuals and families of all ages are eligible. You do NOT have to be receiving W-2 or TANF assistance to qualify, but you must meet the following:

- You are a U.S. citizen or eligible alien (ineligible aliens can apply because others in the household, such as U.S.-born children, may qualify)
 - You meet the income limits of the program (There are NOT asset limites)
 - You meet work requirements, unless you are exempt (see below)
- What are the income limits?**
- GROSS INCOME (your income BEFORE deductions). Most households must have GROSS income below the limits listed in the chart.
 - NET INCOME (your income AFTER deductions). Most households must also have NET income below the Net income limits in the chart. Your NET income is the amount left after subtracting from your GROSS income, some of your costs for shelter, child care, child support and certain other expenses. An eligibility worker will calcu-

late your NET income. Most one and two person households that meet the GROSS income limit can qualify for \$10. in benefits even if their NET income is above the limit.

Does the work requirement apply to me?

Some FoodShare recipients are required to work. If this applies to you, you must register for work and accept any reasonable job offer. Some people may be asked to attend workshops to help them prepare for and find a job. However, many people are NOT required to work in order to receive FoodShare. Some examples include:

- Age 60 or older, or age 15 or younger
- Age 16-17 if not head of household or if head of household then in school or training at least half-time
- Physically or mentally unable to work
- Enrolled in college at least half-time
- Caring for a child under age 6, or for an older child or adult who cannot care for themselves
- Already working 30 hrs/week or earning at least

\$155./week

BENEFITS

How much can I receive?

The amount you receive depends on your family size and your NET income. As your NET income decreases, the amount of your benefits increase. An average household receives \$175./month.

What can I purchase with FoodShare? You can buy food items at most grocery stores, as well as seeds and seedlings for home gardens. You may not buy non-food items such as soap, paper products, alcohol, tobacco or pet food.

How are benefits delivered to me? You will be given an electronic debit card which looks like a plastic credit card.

Your benefits are put into your account electronically once a month. At the checkout counter of the grocery store, you use the card like a debit card (other customers will not know you are paying with FoodShare). After your purchase you'll get a printed receipt showing the amount left in your account.

APPLICATION

Can I find out quickly if I am eligible? Yes—just visit

the new ACCESS website using any computer that connects to the internet. If you don't have internet access at home or work, you may be able to use a computer at your public library or at a community organization. When you visit the website you simply type in information about your household, income and bills. ACCESS then quickly tells you if it looks like you might be able to get FoodShare. ACCESS also checks if you might qualify for other assistance programs such as health insurance, school meals and more. Just go to www.access.wisconsin.gov

How do I apply? Contact your county or tribal Human Services office. Beginning in spring of 2006 you will be able to apply for FoodShare using the ACCESS website described above.

- Oneida Tribe Center Ctr. for Self-Sufficiency..... 490-6800
Brown Cty Human Services448-6460
Outagamie Cty Human Services..... 832-5168

Gross Income Limits (increases October 1, 2005)								
Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Monthly GROSS Income Limit	\$1,552	\$2082	\$2612	\$3142	\$3672	\$4202	\$4732	\$5262
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Dr. Carol Cornelius
Area Manager, Cultural Heritage

As a follow-up to the Oneida Peacemaking conference, we will be printing cul-

tural information articles. The first in this series was the "Iroquois Clan System" which is both a peace making and decision making process that has existed among our

people since the beginning of time. Part 1, the Origin of Clans story, part 2, Clans of the Oneida, Part 3, Clan Relationships, Part 4, Clan Meetings, and Part 5, The

confederacy and the Great Law. At the end of the series we will schedule a discussion session. All of this information has been published in a brochure by the Oneida

Cultural Heritage Department. To get a copy, please call 496-5395 or e-mail Judith Jourdan at jjournal@oneida-nation.org.

Oneida Long House News June 2005

Submitted by the Oneida Longhouse

Schedule of events held at the Long House out on Reformatory Road.

Please join us for Sunday Morning Breakfast.

We are asking only for a Donation for the cost of the breakfast.

June 5, 2005 – Bear Clan providing the Breakfast
June 12, 2005 – The men will provide breakfast

June 19, 2005 – Wolf Clan (Father's Day)

June 26, 2005 – Turtle Clan

June is Strawberry month, watch the berries ripen and call me at 498-2460 for when the strawberry thanksgiving ceremony will be held, usually about the third week. I will put the date of the ceremony on my voice mail, please take the time to listen should I not be home when you call.

Wednesday nights are Culture/Language Classes at 6 PM

Thursday nights at 6 PM are reserved for those interested in sewing to make Long House dresses.

Watch for July's Schedule in the next Kalihwisaks.

Oneida Nation Clan meetings and duties

Bob Brown
Cultural Advisor

CLAN MEETINGS

Each clan has a certain number of chiefs, which are chosen by the clan mothers from their own extended families. Each clan governs itself as well as joining with the other clans to govern the villages and the tribe.

The people of the wolf clan are known as the fire keepers. They are the ones who hold all informational things. They are the ones who put together the agendas and direct the discussion for a meeting. The turtle clan people are known as the tsy%awelot, the well of information. They have all the information pertaining to whatever issues are brought forward. If they don't have the information, then for the next meeting, they would gather all the information for each particular issue. The responsibility of the bear clan is to give recommendations that are in the best interest of the clan and the nation.

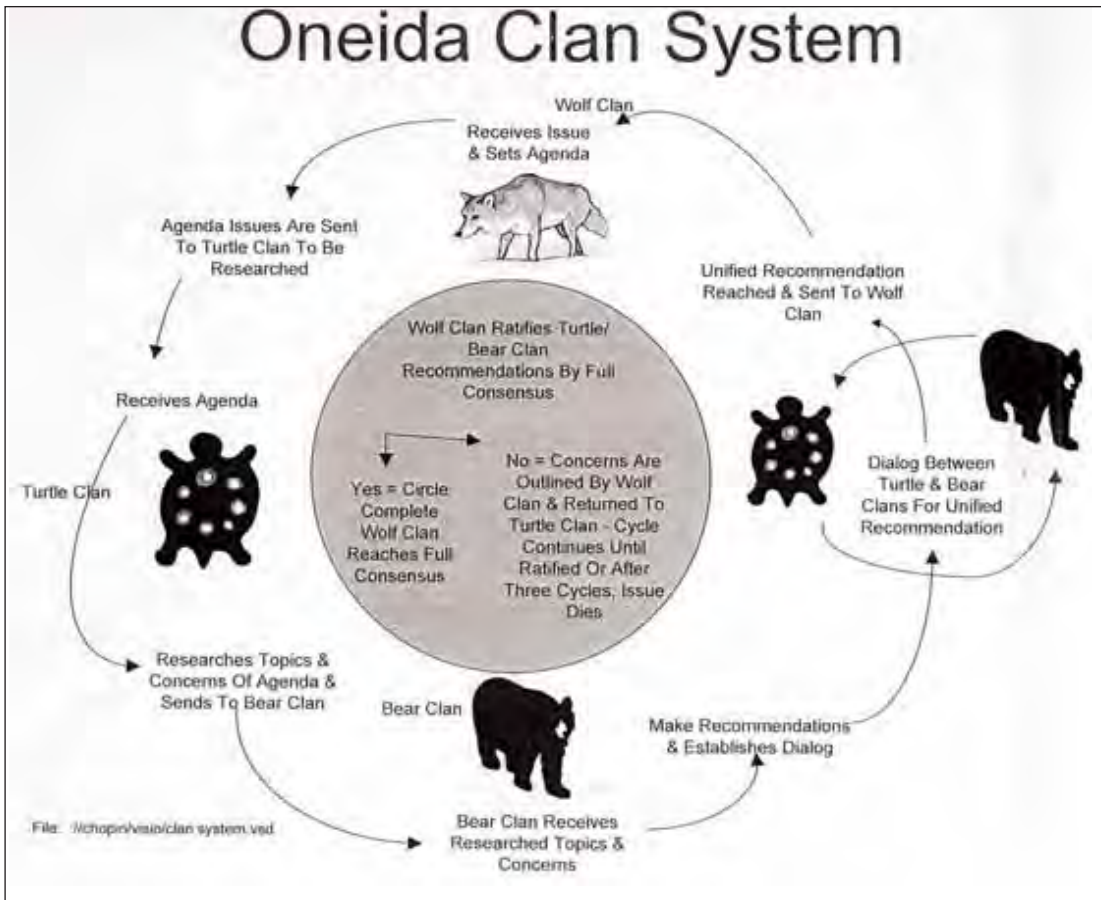
So when an issue comes about, the wolf clan puts it to the floor. This means they give it to the turtle clan. The turtle clan accepts the issue. Then they "cross it over the

fire", to the bear clan. The bear clan deliberates, and then makes their recommendations. They then send their recommendations back to the turtle clan to see what

thoughts and recommendations they have. A dialogue begins between the two sides, the bears and the turtles, until they come to an agreement on the issue. If one side gets off

track during their discussion, the wolf clan can interject to get them back on course. Or, if there is something that the wolf clan hears during the discussion or if something has been overlooked, they can interject. Again, the discussion continues between the bears and turtles until they can come to an agreement.

After they both have made recommendations and are in agreement, the turtle clan then passes it back over to the wolf clan to have it ratified. All have come to one mind and all agree. Skanikulat wahonuni. So the understanding to all of this is that everybody has to be of one mind, to agree with what is being discussed. What they are doing is hashing out the particular issue that is being discussed. Before they can pass anything "across the floor" on a particular issue, they all have to be of one mind. They all need to be in agreement before they say, "These are our recommendations. This is what we have agreed to."



Rosebud Sioux tribal member serves as advisor for "Into the West" TV movie

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) – A member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe had a hand in checking the historical accu-

racy of a new television series that follows a white family and a Lakota family during the late 1800s.

Joseph Marshall III served as technical adviser for Turner Network Television's "Into the West," which begins June 10.

"My responsibility was to see that things were culturally and historically plausible and correct," said Marshall. "This wasn't difficult because the production company, the directors and the producers knew that the reason for the movie was to present two perspectives."

In the series, Marshall also plays Loved by the Buffalo, a medicine man who wrestles with changes happening to American Indian people.

"The Lakota were in their prime as nomadic buffalo culture in 1825. After 1850, we begin to see tragic effects of contact in places like Washita and Sand Creek," he said. "We see one perspective of what whites called the Battle of the Little Big Horn and on to the Ghost Dance

and Wounded Knee. The story line doesn't pull any punches."

Marshall, who has worked on two other films, is also an author. His most recent titles include "The Journey of Crazy Horse: A Lakota History" and "The Lakota Way: Stories and Lessons for Living."

"Making a film is another way to tell a story," Marshall said. "It is a different perspective to see the action on a small monitor, to watch

children hauled away to Carlisle (Indian School), for example, does something to you. It is gut-wrenching to see it happen in front of your eyes."

He hopes "Into the West" sparks new interest and understanding.

"The series offers insights into both cultures - maybe it will answer some of the questions about why things happened and enable people to question history," he said.

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Reminder from the Enrollment Department regarding...Per Capita

The following is a schedule of important information, dates and deadlines for the 2005 Per Capita Payment.

- Oneida members enrolled before February 24, 2005 and age 18 before September 1, 2005 are eligible. Eligible minors will have their payment placed in a Trust Account.
- The FY-2005 Membership Payment Forms are mailed to each eligible member who has an address on file with the Oneida Enrollment Department on May 13, 2005.
- It is **your responsibility** (or the responsibility of your assigned Power of Attorney/Guardian) to keep your address current and on file with the Oneida Enrollment Department.
- If you want to receive the 2005 Per Capita payment, complete Sections 1 & 2 of the form. Complete Section 3 if you wish to VOLUNTARILY have 20% of your payment withheld for Federal Taxes.
- If you do not want to receive the 2005 Per Capita payment, complete Sections 1 & 2 and be sure to check the 'refuse' box in Section 2.
- The deadline to submit a FY-2005 Membership Payment Form is close of business on September 1, 2005.
- If you want to change your check address, it is your responsibility to request a new payment form and submit it to the Oneida Enrollment Department by close of business on September 1, 2005. An Address Update WILL NOT change the address to which your payment is sent (check address).
- The 2005 Per Capita payment will be mailed on September 30, 2004.
- PHOTOCOPIED, FAXED, or E-MAILED FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. FORMS WITH ALTERED INFORMATION (i.e. WHITE-OUT, WRITING OVER, SCRIBBLING OUT) WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

**** A NEW PAYMENT FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED EVERY YEAR****

After you submit a form and it is accepted and processed by the Oneida Enrollment Department, a system generated postcard receipt will be mailed to the CHECK address indicated on the payment form. If you do not receive the postcard receipt, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department at: (800) 571-9902 or (920) 869-2083.

The Oneida Enrollment Department is looking for a number of members that have not claimed their 2004 payment. The deadline for claiming these payments is close of business on September 1, 2005. Thank You.

Oneida Pow-Wow
JULY 1 - 3, 2005
Norbert Hill Center Pow-Wow Grounds
6 Miles west of Green Bay just off Hwy. 54
Join us in song and dance at the **33RD ANNUAL ONEIDA CONTEST POW-WOW!** Over \$49,000 IN PRIZE MONEY WILL BE AWARDED!
Co-Emcee - Artley Skenandore, Oneida, WI
Co-Emcee - Frances Huntington (Former WWE Tag Team Champion), Meriden, CT
Head Male Dance Judge - Charlie Belisle, Oneida, WI
Head Female Dance Judge - Roberta Funmaker, Wisconsin Dells, WI
Head Smoke Dance Judge - Sonny Hill, Oneida, WI
Head Drum Judge - Gordell Wright, Shinnecock, NY
Arena Director - William King, Oneida, WI
Host Drum - Little Otter, Baraga, MI
Mens 65 & Over \$1000 Traditional Special - Sponsored by Stanley Webster

Admission	Grand Entries	Registration
Weekend Pass \$10.00	Fri., July 1 7:00pm	Fri., July 1 5pm - 7pm
Daily Pass \$5.00	Sat., July 2 1pm & 7pm	Sat., July 2 9:30am - 12:45pm
60 yrs. & older FREE	Sun., July 3 12 Noon	Contest points start on Friday.
10 yrs. & younger FREE		NO CANOPIES ALLOWED.
Dancers/Singers \$5.00		

The Public is Welcome!

For more information, call the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee at 920-496-7897. Reserve your room now at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, Green Bay by calling 1-800-333-3333. Ask for the Pow-Wow room rate. Rates based on availability.

Good News

Congratulations

and God Bless you on your new journey!



Mom, Aunties, Uncles

Congratulations

On earning your Masters Degree at Marquette University!



We are so Proud of You! We Love You! Your Family

Happy Birthday

Happy Golden & "Sweet 16" Birthday Cameron Jay on June 16"!



Lots of Love to you... Mom, Dad, Jo & Trent

Happy Father's Day

Daddy!



Love your Boys

Congratulations

Alexis Madrid on your 5th year of Dancing and receiving a trophy! Also, on your group receiving 1st Place in a recent competition in Milwaukee. Keep up the good work Sweetheart! Your family is so Proud of You!



We Love You "Bunches". Grampa, Gramma, Dad, Mom, Aunts, Uncles and all your cousins

Birthday Wishes

Master Todd



We Love You!



Way to Go!! Jerrel Kurowski & Marques Smith's Rugby team, the Pulaski Roos, for taking 1st in the N.E.W. Rugby Tournament! Jerrel was also chosen MVP of the team. Great Job Guys! From the Kurowski's & Hill's

Congratulations

Happy 21st Anniversary Daniel & Barbara Summers



From the Reed & Summers' Families

Congratulations

Kalhaku for graduating High School!



Love, Your Families

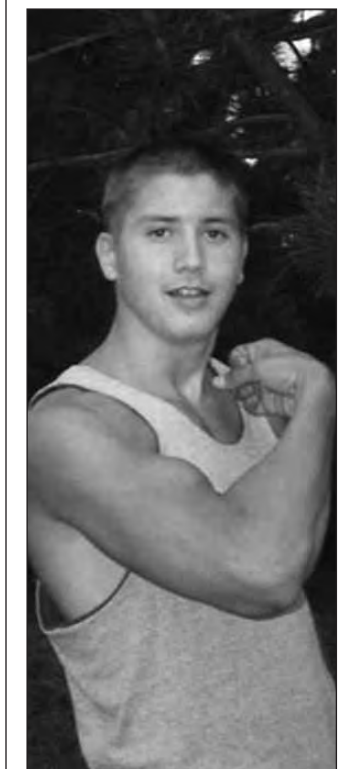
Happy Birthday

It's your birthday again! Where has the time gone? Happy Birthday!



Love your Family

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Love your Family

Art on Artley is coming

The Oneida Community Library presents its first annual art and music festival on Friday night, June 24th from

4pm-8pm. ONEIDA IDOL Karaoke Contest for all ages.

There will be: Free Food, Indoor Gallery, and games for the kids.

On Saturday, June 25th 10am-4pm

Arts and craft Vendors Food Vendors, and art demonstrations. There will be music all day. There is still time to sign up for vendors or artists.

We are looking for donations of cakes. We would like to have a cakewalk for the kids. So if you're a baker let us know if you would like to donate a cake.

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NEXT DEADLINE
 is... **Wednesday, June 15th, 2005 @ 4:30 P.M.**
 with a **PUBLISH DATE** of...
Thursday, June 23rd, 2005
 Questions, please call: **920-869-4280 or 4279**
 Toll Free: **1.800.236.2214 ext. 4280, 4279**

Also if any departments would like to set an outreach booth contact Kim Siebers at 869-2210.

Congratulations Young Warriors!!



Congratulations to the "Josh Webster Memorial Team" for taking second in a recent tournament held in Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin. You all put up a tough battle and we're proud of you!! Pictured are, Back row (l to r): Jerry Brown, Jermaine Webster, Louie Ortiz, Jamison Wilson, Sony Hill, Derrick King. Front Row, (l to r): Roberto Hill, Levi King, and Latsi Hill.

Tuesday, June 28, 2005

5:30pm—7:30pm

Honoring the Youth



And the Responsibilities of wearing traditional outfits

Please Join Us! and Enjoy a delicious family meal cooked by O-Town Youth Group

NEW DINNER LOCATION: SITE II

- + From hwy 54 & Seminary Rd, travel south on Seminary Rd to Ranch Rd
- + Turn right on Ranch Rd
- + Approximately 1 mile down
- + Turn left onto Park Drive

Oneida Housing Authority Site II

Free Event Open to Everyone Rain or Shine!

FMI contact: Justine at (920) 490-3854

Come and Celebrate ...the accomplishments of community youth who have completed their outfits for pow wow. Be a part of a special smudging for these young people and enjoy the sounds of Four Nation Drum group. Listen and discuss our responsibilities when wearing traditional clothing.

Funding for this event is made possible by a grant from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the Justice Department



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Historic Preservation

ONEIDA NATION Register of Historic Places...

Oneida Tribal Building-Fish Creek Road, Oneida, Wisconsin

Oneida Tribal Building, Original allotted to: Joseph (Chicago Smith), Allottee # 144; T23N, R19E, Section 18, Outagamie County, Register # 012705.

The property was sold to

the School District on 8\04\1915, 149 D 430

The land parcel with the Oneida Tribal building was originally allotted to Joseph (Chicago) Smith, allottee # 144. His allotment was designated Lot 7, within Section 18m, T23N, Range 19 East, Outagamie County. This par-

cel originally contained 26.36 acres. On June 13, 1992, a Trust Patent was issued to Joseph (Chicago) Smith.

Joseph C. Smith died on September 29, 1907 at age of 57. A probate hearing of Joseph Smith's estate was held on June 6, 1912. This hearing was conducted by the Indian

Agent J. C. Hart, it shows at the time of his death, Lot 7, of Section 18, T23N, R18E, was held in trust. The heirs of Joseph C. Smith were determined to be Mary Smith Peters, widow, and two sons, Loomis and Thomas Smith. According to BIA records Loomis and Thomas Smith were determined to each entitled to an Undivided on half,

subject to dowry of Mary Smith Peters, 1\3 the estate for life.

Thomas Smith made application for a fee patent for his allotment which was denied due to an unsatisfactory determination of his competency. BIA, Superintendent letter dated 7\17\1913, shows application was again submitted regarding the sale of his heirship property. At that time advertising of the sale and acceptance of bids were recommended for further processing. A fee patent 3462002 issued March 10, 1915, was received by Martin McCormick on March 27, 1915, as the purchaser of the land. While in fee status, portions of these Lots were dedicated for road purposes, by the town of Oneida Supervisors.

Martin McCormick on April 10, 1915, sold this parcel to Frank and Theresa Vogel for \$2,100.00. 149 D 247, Outagamie County Records. Document 149 D 430, dated 8\14\1915, Outagamie county records. Frank and Theresa Vogel sold a portion of Lot 7 to School District #2 (Seymour), for \$125.00. A portion of this property may have been deeded to Outagamie County for road projects. 7\24\1953, 429 D 529, Outagamie County Records.

On December 7, 1970, Seymour Community Schools Joint District #2, Town of Oneida being a part by consolidation. Conveyed to the United States of America, in trust for the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin recorded in Outagamie records as Vol.851 Pg 325 also recorded in Bureau of Indian Affairs Document 433 408 approved December 23, 1970 recorded on April 23, 1990 and is listed as BIA tract 433 T 144.

Chronology of Time and Events

1892—Trust patent was issued to Joseph (Chicago) Smith.

1915—Property was sold to the School District.

1917—The building was build for district public day school.

1960—During the early 1960's, the gymnasium and kitchen were added along with two classrooms and two bathrooms, and indoor plumbing. Irene Moore was the cook. During the mis-60's Oscar Archiquette taught Oneida language classes there.

1968—In the spring of the year, the school closed down. The

building was then used for the Head Start Program which was formerly at the Parish Hall. Margaret John was the cook for the Head Start Program. It was also used for the commodities program, RNIP (Relief to Needy Indian Persons) and the basement was used for the Boxing arena. At the same time, the GTC met at the Parish Hall during which time Oscar Archiquette acted as translator.

1970—The building housed the Welfare Program administered by Harriet Reiter, CETA, a youth employment program, and was used as a dental office. At about the same time, the VISTA program (Volunteer In Service to America) was introduced. The Home School Coordinator Program was introduced and was housed at the Parish Hall. The building also housed the Enrollments Office and the CAP (Community Action Program). The building was used for a recreation center. Seymour Community Schools Joint District No 4 (School District #2, town of Oneida being part by consolidation), conveyed to the United States of America, in trust for the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin recorded in Outagamie records, also recorded in Bureau of Indian Affairs.

1971—Through 1974, the Oneida tribal government met at the Chicago Corners building.

1976—Bingo was started at the Recreation Center to offset the cost incurred by the tribal government, which had by this time moved into that building.

1980—The building was used for social dances, youth dances, and playground for neighborhood children. Six Nation's met there with the Oneida's to discuss the New York Land Claims. One of the rooms in the basement was used as a clothing exchange center. Tony Benson had a garden planted in the back.

List of possible Historic Buildings in Oneida, Wisconsin

Tribal Owned Lands: Stone Church, 1886; Parish Hall, 1905; Methodist Church, 1940's; Law Office, 1950; Site II, White building, 1930; CCC building; stone building; 2 fireplaces; Norbert Hill, Episcopal Church.

Non-Tribal land: Chicago Corners Store; 1933, (Mosse's); Schrodgers store, 1920-30's.

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"It is my promise to all Oneidas, that if elected, the policies promoted by my office will always be for the purpose of helping the people create a better life for themselves and their loved ones."

EXPERIENCE

Legislative Analyst for Oneida Tribe / Teacher / Education and Job Training Specialist

EDUCATION

Master of Arts Degree in Political Science and Public Policy / Issues of Native Sovereignty

Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education

MILITARY

U.S. Army Vietnam Era Veteran

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Oneida Land Commission / Constitutional Review Committee / Oneida Nation School Board

ISSUES

GAMING RESOURCES

As members of the Oneida Tribe, we are all equal owners of one of the most lucrative gaming operations in the U.S. To date, Oneida gaming profits have significantly improved the quality of life for many Oneidas and their families by providing employment opportunities, educational & health services, homes and cash payments. But the work is not done. We must strive to ensure that the benefits derived from our gaming operations reach more of our people. If elected, I'll work hard towards that goal.

LAND CLAIMS

Last December, the General Tribal Council approved an agreement, contingent upon approval by the New York Legislature, that would provide us with:

- The right to build and operate a casino in the Catskills of New York, and
- One thousand (1000) acres to be placed into Federal trust status on our behalf.
- In exchange, the agreement calls for the Tribe to drop its land claims suit. Those who have studied the history of the U.S. Supreme Court know that the Court is not friendly to Indians. I believe, that if we were to pursue our claims in that unfriendly Court, we would lose, and end up with nothing. If elected, I'll wholeheartedly support the settlement and work to make General Tribal Council's decision to settle out of court a success.

LAND CLAIMS DISTRIBUTION PLAN

Members of the Oneida Business Committee and the Land Claims Commission are currently preparing a distribution-spending plan for the casino in New York estimated to bring in a billion dollars over the next 7 years. As a candidate for the office of Business Committee Councilman, I believe it's my responsibility to inform the voters about my ideas about the plan.

An annual \$100 million can do a lot to improve the quality of life for Oneidas. More jobs can be created. We can improve our health services and an endowment can be created to ensure educational scholarships for future generations. I also believe all of us as Tribal members should benefit directly from any of our New York casino profits.

If elected, I'll promote a minimum of 51% of N.Y. casino profits going directly to the membership instead of the 12 1/2% being promoted by the current Business Committee.

LABOR CODE

I do **NOT** support the new Labor Code being promoted by most of the Business Committee because it diminishes employee rights and weakens Oneida's Indian Preference hiring policy.

As an Oneida employee of the Tribe for many years, I know what Tribal employment can mean to us and our families. If elected, I'll **never** endorse any Tribal employment law unless it protects or enhances Oneida preference in hiring, fair employee benefits and reasonable job security.

VENTURE FUND

Each year, the General Tribal Council budgets about \$7 million for the Venture Fund investing our Tribal dollars in businesses throughout the country. At the most recent General Tribal Council meeting called to review the investment in Nature's Way, many Oneidas were concerned when they were told that the General Tribal Council and the Business Committee has no right to know important information about those companies seeking our dollars from the Venture Fund.

If elected, I'll write legislation requiring a person or entity who is seeking our Tribal dollars for investment purposes to disclose all their financial interests relating to the Tribe and the names of Tribal members who have an investment or private interest in the person or company seeking Venture Fund investment.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Oneida Tribe is currently \$51 million in debt. Most of that debt has been caused by bad business investments. If elected, I'll promote more diligence when investing our dollars in non-Oneida business ventures. I will however, promote allocating more Tribal dollars for Oneida owned small businesses.

VETERANS WAR MEMORIAL

The Oneida Tribe recently honored six Oneida veterans. Their stories are stories of heroism as are the stories of all Oneida veterans who have sacrificed themselves for their country. For years, Oneida's veterans have been trying to establish a war memorial to honor those who have sacrificed. I do not support any future budgets being presented to the General Tribal Council unless it includes funding for a Veterans War Memorial.

SOVEREIGNTY

Today, the sovereignty of tribes is being threatened. The states want to exercise more jurisdiction over tribes and tribal people. The Federal government and the Federal courts are again challenging the very existence of tribes as sovereigns.

Unfortunately, crime in Indian country is at an all time high. In Indian Country for example, Indian children are 2 times more likely to be physically or sexually abused, Indian women are 3 times more likely to be victims of physical and sexual abuse, and the lives of Indian young people are being destroyed in the punishment dominated meat grinding court systems which surround Indian Country.

Tribes need to protect themselves and their people by establishing strong and accountable governments. Fundamental components of strong government are its leadership, its laws, and its courts. If elected, I'll provide that leadership. I'll ensure that our laws are strong and fair. And I'll prepare legislation to establish Tribal judicial jurisdiction that will protect our people and our sovereignty.

PLEASE VOTE ON JULY 16TH – YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

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Restoration...A
Gathering of Minds



Community
Picnic

Come share your stories & thoughts
on restoring this historic building
over hamburgers, chips & corn soup.

Saturday June 18th
10am - 2pm
Chicago Corners Bldg.

For information call
Oneida Tribal Historic Preservation
Office at 496.5386