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Group sues Interior Dept. over Oneida land trust decision

By William Kates

Associated Press Writer

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) ~ A citizens group filed a federal lawsuit Tuesday challenging the U.S. Department of the Interior's decision to place 13,004 acres of upstate New York land into federal trust for the Oneida Indian Nation. Upstate Citizens for Equality contends the federal agency does not have the authority to place the land in Madison and Oneida counties into trust, a move it says vio

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Hobart injunction denied by Brown Co. judge

By Steven J. Gandy

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The recently signed service agreement between the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin and Brown County has triggered legal action by the Village of Hobart. The Village was seeking an injunction on the section of the agreement as it relates to primary police coverage of certain parts of Hobart. That injunction was denied in court on Wednesday, June 18 by Judge Marc Hammer.

Although the village did

not receive the injunction, they will be back in court on October 27 to further argue the merits of the agreement.

In the service agreement, the Oneida Police Department was given primary responsibility to a 1700 square acre section of the Village roughly from the intersection of Highway 54 and 172, west to near where the Town of Oneida begins.

Hobart Village President Rich Heidel is leading the campaign for the injunction and sites various issues the

Village has with the agreement.

"We've got a number of issues with it. In no particular order, it was negotiated without the benefit of Hobart being at the table at all. It does impact what are the jurisdictional boundaries of Hobart and what I think is not only illegal and unconstitutional, but also short sighted and potentially dangerous."

Village Administrator Elaine Willman also believes there are some inherent flaws with the service agreement

and she is working to do what she believes is in the best interest of the residents of Hobart.

"We have an incorporated boundary and for someone to just artificially create another internal boundary within that sets up very uneven and confusing law enforcement jurisdiction, and I believe there is no statutory authority anywhere in Wisconsin for piecemealing a municipality. That's what we think is the danger to our citizens and to the officers, (Oneida's) and

(Hobart's)."

Heidel and Willman both feel that the County Executive, Tom Hinz, has over stepped his authority as the county CEO in negotiating the coverage of police protection within that 1700 acre area of Hobart.

"For the county executive to involve himself in this, let alone execute the agreement; frankly he's overstepping his

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Technology creating alternatives to gather information

By Nate Wisneski

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Websites, blogs and forums have created more vehicles for people to get the news and information and the Oneida tribal community has joined the digital highway.

This new media has allowed readers to become more interactive with the information and others participating. Most of these venues do not filter and edit posts and comments from users.

With ever important tribal elections taking place in July, a new blog and forum have formed to paint the community landscape with their own personal brush.

"We wanted to reach Oneida people," said Sherolle Benton, one of the creators of the CIRCL Citizens for the Oneida Tribe blog (www.circl.blogspot.com), "Because of the Kalihwisaks' publication schedule, we wanted to get information to the community more quickly."

Elaine Doxtator, co-founder of the Oneida Grapevine (www.groups.yahoo.com/group/Oneida_Grapevine/), echoes the ability to have frequent information postings as a cause for the creation of her forum. "We update the community and we found that this is a service not offered by anyone else. There was no place for members to talk except for the Kali that came out every other week. It was not current enough," said Doxtator.

The internet has allowed any individual the ability to create their own venue for distributing information. Along with this ability comes responsibility to ensure accurate information is being shared.

"I am a trained journalist and I take it very seriously," said Benton. (The CIRCL blog) is not going to be gossip, tabloid, or speculation. I want it to be balanced, fair and as objective as possible."

Doc Doxtator, co-founder of the Oneida Grapevine,

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2008 Family Carnival



Kali Photos/Nate Wisneski

The 16th annual Oneida Family Carnival was held June 6 and 7 on the Norbert Hill Center grounds. The event featured live entertainment on two stages, amusement rides, ethnic foods and free admission. Rain closed the curtain early on the show and postponed the fireworks until next year's carnival.



Goodwill opens superstore on Green Bay's west side

By Dawn Walschinski

Kalihwisaks

Goodwill opened its third store in the Green Bay area on Thursday, June 19, and is opening its doors to the community with meeting spaces, work services and the Harmony Cafe'.

According to President and CEO of Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin Bob Pedersen, their organization has been progressing towards the new store's layout.

"When we realized this opportunity was available with this old Best Buy store, we thought, gee, this is a good chance for us to put this mini-campus concept together and to cluster a bunch of services around the retail component," said Pedersen.

Along with the 33,000 square foot store, the location will house the Financial Information and Services Center (FISC) which offers credit counseling, Beyond Boundaries of Autism, Prospera Credit Union and

Harmony Cafe – a non-profit coffee shop.

Harmony Cafe Program Director Shannon Kenevan stated his program focuses on arts and culture, diversity, and leadership development.

The cafe offers computers, wireless internet, and a space to relax and meet with others or listen to live music on Thursdays and Saturdays.

In addition, there is a large conference room and some smaller meeting rooms available for community groups or individuals.

"I would hope there would be a lot of folks from the Oneida Nation and from other groups and people from this community who would come into this space and say, 'boy, I would like to do this type of program or that type,' and we can help make that happen," said Kenevan.

College of the Menominee Nation (CMN) Vice President

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Goodwill



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

Margret Wilson, standing, and Wendy Johnson label book shelves in preparation of the opening of the new Green Bay West Goodwill Superstore.

Local

Passing On...

Cottrell, Maxine A.**April 20, 1946 – June 16, 2008**

Maxine Alice Cottrell, 62, Oneida, passed away peacefully to be with the Lord on Monday, June 16, 2008, surrounded by her family after a



and Noni Cottrell, Oneida.

She was preceded in death by her husband Frank Cottrell, her parents, and her grandparents.

lengthy illness. She was born April 20, 1946 to the late Dorothy (Wheelock) Parkhurst and Jacob Coulon. She married Frank Cottrell on November 22, 1967 at the Oneida Methodist Church.

She is survived by her son Timothy Franklin, and daughter Trisha Lynne. She is further survived by 2 sisters; Tudy Wheelock, Seymour, K.C. Hamilton, Stockbridge, 2 brothers; Bernard Wheelock, De Pere, Arlen Parkhurst, Green Bay, her uncle Vincent Wheelock, and many great nieces and nephews. Maxine is further survived by her sister in laws; June (Harlan) Anderson, Appleton, Dolores Cottrell, De Pere, Betty (Floyd) Cottrell, Appleton, Joyce Cottrell, Port Washington,

Maxine loved her family and enjoyed going to the casino, bargain hunting, and flowers. She took great pride in her home. Maxine was the first teacher's aide for the original Head Start Program, and worked as a pre-natal coordinator at the Oneida Health Center for 17 years. She loved the girls and their babies.

Friends may call at the RYAN FUNERAL HOME 305 N. Tenth Street De Pere from 6 - 8pm Thursday. The Oneida Hymn Singers will sing at 6:30pm, followed by a prayer service at 7pm. Visitation will continue after 10am Friday at the Oneida United Methodist Church, until time of service at 11am with Pastor Earl Smith officiating.

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into trust, a move it says violates the New York state constitution.

"The only time the federal government can take land away from a sovereign, existing state is when that state gives the federal government permission. The only exceptions are very narrow, such as the eminent domain law for federal projects," said David Vickers, executive director of the 8,000-member organization.

"Taking land for Indian tribes is not something that New York has granted permission for the federal government to do," Vickers said.

New York state and the two counties have said they will file a joint lawsuit to contest the decision before a Thursday deadline.

"There will be constitutional challenges, challenges to the statute and the application of the statute in this case, and there will be challenges

to the decision as being arbitrary and capricious and otherwise contrary to the law," said attorney David Schraever, who represents the counties.

The Oneidas had no comment on UCE's lawsuit, said spokesman Mark Emery.

In a long awaited decision, the interior department announced last month it would put 13,004 acres of land into trust for the Oneidas, a status that exempts the land from local and state taxes and regulations but makes it subject to most federal laws. The land amounts to about 1 percent of each county's total acreage.

The Oneidas had sought 17,370 acres and the counties argued for no more than 1,030 acres of trust land.

The Oneidas once possessed about 300,000 acres within their reservation, nearly all of which was illegally conveyed to the state without federal approval.

The trust process dates to the 1934 Indian Reorganization Act, which was meant to help redress the loss of millions of acres of tribal land nationwide in the 1800s.

But UCE argued that the 1934 law depends on an over-broad reading of the Indian Commerce Clause, which it said in the lawsuit cannot be interpreted as giving the federal government the power to strip a state of its sovereign right to govern land within its own borders.

Additionally, the 1934 law unconstitutionally shifts legislative authority to an executive branch agency, UCE argued.

The lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court also challenged whether federally recognized Nation Representative and Chief Executive Officer Ray Halbritter is the "rightful governing authority" of the Oneidas.

"We think Ray Halbritter is the wrong person to be in the chair asking for the land to go into trust anyway. Even if you think that the federal government does have the right to eliminate portions of New York from being New York, they can only do it if

the right people make the request," said Vickers.

UCE asked the court to declare the 1934 law unconstitutional and without force in New York.

The interior department decision was also challenged Tuesday by the Stockbridge-Munsee Mohicans of Wisconsin, who have a claim to 3,100 acres in Madison County, their ancestral home. In a lawsuit filed in federal court in Washington, the Mohican tribe contends the interior department is giving away land that is part of their reservation created by the federal government in a 1788 treaty.

Two other citizens groups - the Central New York Fair Business Association and Citizens Equal Rights Alliance - joined by individual state and local lawmakers, have already appealed the decision to the Interior Board of Indian Appeals. But the IBIA dismissed the appeal, ruling Monday that it did not have jurisdiction to review the decision.

The federal government holds over 66 million acres in trust for about 350 tribes, according to U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs.

In Loving Memory

In Loving Memory of...

Bryan R. McLester

on his Golden Birthday...June 27, 1981

A star is born,
one that shines the brightest
Brought up to be the best he
could be
Loving everyone in his path
And in return we loved
him back

But now he's gone and
all we have are memories
Let's hold on to these memories
And keep them fresh in our mind
so he will Not be forgotten
I loved him then, I love him now
With this love I will hold on...

Love, Mom, Dad, and Ronnie


(Poem authored by Bryan's friend Venessa)



In Loving Memory of
Archie Webster
Who passed away 2 years ago June 27th

Dad, with every passing year,
I realize just how much you meant to me.
I often find myself thinking of all those special memories filled with laughter, sharing, cooking, and singing.
You left us all with so many precious memories, everywhere we look in life we see reminders of how you touched and impacted our lives in such a good way.
Your safely home now and until we meet on those beautiful shores—rest in peace dad.

Love & Miss you Dad!
Your daughter Julie




In Loving Memory of...
Josh Webster
on your 28th birthday June 26th

Son, as you celebrate your birthday in heaven, we can only imagine how glorious it must be!

We think of you often and can only imagine what would be
— your spirit is forever in our hearts and never to be forgotten!

Love and Miss You
Mom, Brian, Jerome, Jermaine, Jason, Brian Jr.



In Loving Memory of...
Warren Wilmot
who passed on one year ago
~ June 6th ~


We miss you dearly...

I still see him in the early dawn,
that big smile on his face,
with rod and reel and tackle box,
Heading for his special place.

Or gathering his gun and that old dog,
Down the road they'd go.
The joy he got from those short trips,
Was more than we will ever know.

He's come home now, as he sets west,
With that same big smile on his face.
He's landed the big one, the very best...
And heaven is now his special place.

Love always, Dad, Mom, Family, and Friends



Father's Day Remembering
Matt Skenadore & His Sons:
Talon and Elijah

Time goes by so fast, it's like your Dad was just here and now he's gone
It seems like a very short time then again it seems so very long

You boys are growing up so fast, I sure hope you keep memories of your Dad of the past

When I see you I see your Dad and that makes me feel lonely and sad
I see your Dad in each one of you in one way or another, in something you say or do

The way you act or the look you would sometimes have, the smile or the walk
Sometimes it's the shyness, sometimes the way you talk
These bring back memories of your Dad, it makes me happy then again I feel sad

When I see you I always just watch you just to see that part of your Dad
He was the best Dad you boys could've had
I just wish he could have been here for you today, if only he'd been able to stay

If I had the choice he would be here today,
I would've been the one Jesus could've taken away
I know I don't see you as often as I should but I do pray for you all the time

I think of you a lot, don't ever think I forgot
I only wish your Dad could be here for you today, He should've been able to stay

Your Dad lives on, he lives on in both of you, he loved you very much too
Jesus knew your Dad was ready to go,
But if he had the choice he would have stayed and watch you grow




Just think of your Dad as watching over you,
You are never alone Jesus is with you too

Your Dad is in heaven, he's just far away and you will see him again one day
I am proud of your Mother who has to be Mother and Dad
It could sometimes be very hard, happy and sometimes sad
So Talon and Elijah your Dad lives on in you he's not totally gone

A part of him is here today, you will see him again one day
He's in heaven where someday we will all go, we all miss him so

So always be good boys,
he would've been proud of you two
Keep his memories in your heart and you will never really be apart

Always remember your Dad loved you very much
I love you and Jesus loves you too
Always be good as I know you would
Always be proud of the Dad you had
And remember him as watching over you on this Father's Day
I love you very much, Grandma Skenadore

In Loving Memory of...
Rory O. Hill
who passed 17 years ago
August 15, 1966 – June 30, 1991

In God's great gallery of pictures are scenes all painted from life. There are scenes of great pleasure. Scenes filled with both happiness and strife.

Saddest of all, are the pictures of life's tragic side. Of Ror, his life was our last earthly treasure, a life gone out like the tide.

A life lost on the highway. On earth, he wasn't meant to stay. A day of happiness on earth turned into his afterlife in heaven today.

Now in God's gallery of pictures are precious memories we hold on to, We remember Ror's life here on earth and in heaven above, you know how much we all love you.

In our minds Ror will always be young and fair. He now lives on life's other side in God's tender loving care. And we pray to God all our pain and trouble He, for us, will bear.

Greatly missed by Mom, Dad, brothers, sisters, son, other family & friends

So many songs That remind us all of you "He Stopped Loving Her Today" by George Jones Is enough to make anyone feel blue.

For me though, It's that song by Tim McGraw, "Don't Take the Girl" Gets me every single time...I just can't help it, It always makes me bawl.


I remember you TRYING to sing "Elvira" and songs from Elvis – "Jailhouse Rock" and "Heartbreak Hotel" So funny to hear and see You all out of tune & shaking your pelvis.

Don't forget "I Heard It Through the Grapevine." You doing the raisin dance. It didn't matter you didn't have much rhythm And a bunch of grease on your pants.

Any song by Waylon Jennings, Dwight Yoakam, or Johnny Cash, It's all music to our ears - The memories fill our heads & hearts so fast. Causing us to still cry so many tears.

All this time we would wonder, "Who's gonna fill his shoes?" The thing is, we know no one can because there is only one you!

— Love you & miss you Ror!



The Oneida Hymn Singers welcome anyone interested in learning the Hymns

Come Join Us...

Every Saturday at 3:00P.M.

Oneida Methodist Church



Local

Upcoming Events

Calendar

2008

June 19, 26

Smoke Dance Lessons
WHEN: Thursdays, June 19 & 26
TIME: 7:00pm-9:00pm
PLACE: Parish Hall

Join us for a traditional fitness challenge! The smoke dance is based on traditional Iroquois dances and music and is a competitive category at the Oneida Powwow. Everyone is welcome to this free event sponsored by the Oneida Living in Balance Team and Oneida Cultural Heritage Division. Contact Sylvia at 920-496-5352 or Ana at 920-496-5337 for more information.

June 20

WHAT: **OPEN HOUSE BAKE SALE!**
WHEN: Friday, June 20
TIME: 10:00AM-2:00PM
PLACE: Division of Land Management
470 Airport Rd.

The Division of Land Management will have a Bake Sale during the Annual Open House.

June 25

41st Annual Miss/Jr. Miss Oneida Pageant
WHEN: Wednesday, June 25
TIME: 6:00pm
PLACE: Wolf Room, Radisson Inn Hotel

Be on hand for the selection of the 2008-09 Miss Oneida and Jr. Miss Oneida. Contestants will show off their talents and display their knowledge of Oneida culture and history. For more information, contact Rich at 920-496-5026.

June 28-29

Three Flags Over Green Bay
WHEN: June 28-29
TIME: Saturday 10am-4:30pm, Sunday 12-4:30pm
PLACE: Heritage Hill State Historical Park Ed. Cntr
2640 S. Webster Ave. Green Bay

Interact with French, British and American re-enactors who will be portraying the lives of those during the Fur Trade Era. Watch as a battled is reenacted on the village green. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors (over 62) and \$6 for children 5-17(children 4 and under free). Call 920-448-5150 or visit www.heritagehillgb.org.

July 11-13

Seneca Cattaraugus Veterans Pow Wow
WHEN: Tuesday, July 11-13th
PLACE: Gill Lay Memorial Arena
Route 5, Irving, NY

Over \$160,000 in prizes. Northern and Southern Drum competitions, dance competitions and Smoke Dance competitions. Admission: \$7, two day \$12, seniors 50+, natives and kids (7-17) \$5. Kids 6 an under and Veterans with military ID – FREE! For more information, call 716-945-8558, ext 4200.

August 8-9

20th Annual Burger Fest
WHEN: August 8-9
TIME: Various
PLACE: Downtown Seymour

Witness "The World's Largest Hamburger Parade" at 11 a.m., join in the fun during the Hardee's hamburger eating contest beginning at 1 p.m., celebrate the grilling and serving of a giant 60 lb. burger at 2:30 p.m. All Burger Fest events will take place on Depot Street in downtown Seymour. 8th Annual Balloon Rally will take place at the Seymour High School Friday night, Saturday morning & Saturday evening (weather permitting*) Hot air balloons glow at 6 p.m. both Friday and Saturday Admission is \$3 per person in advance, \$5 on the day of event; children under 12 years old are free. For tickets, call (920) 833-6688.

Tuesdays

Women's Talking Circle Group
WHEN: Every Tuesday evening
TIME: Tuesday, 6:00pm-7:30 pm
PLACE: Community Education Center Conference Room, 2632 S. Packerland

Wise Women Gathering Place is sponsoring a Women's Talking Circle Group. Come and join us as we discuss a healthy lifestyle, relationships, children, jobs and overall wellness. Come and share a good cup of hot tea with a friend and have a healthy night out with women of all ages. For more information: Contact Marlene Summers or Bev Scow at Wise Women Gathering Place 920-490-0627.

Wednesdays

Loom Work Beading Class
WHEN: Wednesdays
TIME: 6:30 - 9:00 p.m.
PLACE: Site II Community Building, W1144 Park Dr.

Breezy will be teaching a loom work beading class. Materials will be provided. Calss is open to those ages 13 to adult. To register, call Breezy at 920-869-6669.

Fridays

Women's Support Group
WHEN: Fridays
TIME: 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
PLACE: Three Sisters Center

For more information contact Isabel Parker or Georgia Burr at (920) 592-8682 or (920) 412-0396.

Please call the *kalihwisaks* office at (920) 869-4280, 4279 or 4277 to include events in this section.
Announcements must have a contact phone # that can be published to be included in this section.

Culture Day at the Oneida Museum

The Oneida Nation Museum announces its Annual Cultural Festival scheduled for July 3, 2008 from 10:30-4:00 PM. Our Festival is a FREE event where we host an array of activities. We are located at W892 County Rd. EE, just outside of De Pere. Please see the schedule and activity descriptions below and feel free to contact us for more information.

2008 Cultural Festival Schedule

- Oneida Hymnal Singers - 10:30-11:30 AM
Listen to the soothing sounds of hymns in the Oneida language.
- Community Lunch - 11:30-1:30 PM
Traditional Foods, free to the public.
- Oneida Longhouse Singers - 11:30-1:30 PM
This is the traditional music of the Oneida Nation. Participate in a social dance, or watch the energetic smoke

dancers.

- Smoke Dance Contest - 12:30-1:00 PM
All are invited to try their hand at the lively smoke dance! Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in women's, men's and kid's categories.
- Flying Feather Band - 1:30-3:30 PM.
- Jigging Contest - 2:00-3:00 PM
All are invited to try their jigging skills. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, for adults & kids categories
Participate in any of the other activities taking place throughout the day:
 - Kids Crafts - Create your own work of art to take home with you. . . . HAVE FUN!
 - Corn Husk Doll Craft Kits- You and your child can assemble a corn husk doll using easy to follow instructions and materials. A great cultural souvenir that carries an even greater moral.
 - Museum Tours- Experience



Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Catch the food, music, smoke dancers and fun at the Oneida Museum's annual Culture Day July 3.

our rich culture and history as outlined in our exhibits and interpreted by our Cultural Educator. Everything you want to know about the Oneida Tribe but were afraid to ask! • Raffles- Feeling lucky? Then participate in our wonderful raffles! Some of the prizes to be won come right from the vendors at the Festival. Other prizes to be announced.

As a bonus this year, we are bringing in several demonstrators in addition to our craft vendors. Perhaps you've wondered how to create raised beadwork? Or what materials are used in traditional Iroquois silver work? These are questions that can be answered by our skilled

ONEIDA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF WISCONSIN
JULY 5, 2008 - GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

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Choose two (2)

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Choose two (2)

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Business



BACKGROUND ON BUSINESS

Prism Powder Coating

By Nate Wisneski

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Jeff Burkhart, co-owner of Prism Powdercoating, LLC, didn't realize that an alternator bracket for his Camero would send him down the path of small business ownership.

"I bought an aftermarket alternator bracket with a quart of oil on it. I took it to a place to be powder coated and thought it was so cool. I then started reading and doing research and went from there," said Burkhart.

Prism Powdercoating LLC, W6501 Design Drive Suite B Greenville, Wis. opened in November of 2006 and specializes in powder coating custom vehicle parts from race car chassis to motorcycle gas tanks. "The color and feel possibilities are endless (in powder coating), you have different textures and gloss levels and it just depends on what the customer wants," said Burkhart.

According to Burkhart, powder coating is far more durable than wet paint as far as chemical resistance, UV light resistance and chipping and is a rather easy process with the right equipment. "The powder is electronically charged and the part (being powder coated) is grounded. Powder particles attach to the part and it is put in the oven



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Prism Powdercoating LLC's co-owner, Jeff Burkhart, prepares a part to be powder coated and then baked in the oven at his Greenville shop.

to cure and then creates a durable surface," he said.

During Burkhart's research he discovered that information about powder coating and local companies offering it to be scarce. "When we first started researching I couldn't find a lot of competitors. The closest competitor is in Hortonville but there are some (businesses) in Omro and Howard. But as far as the custom work, there are not too many out there," said Burkhart.

Prism Powdercoating LLC's current workload is spread evenly over industrial parts and personal orders. Burkhart prefers to do the

custom work but understands that industrial orders will help them reach their business goals earlier.

"When we were creating our business plan, within three years we wanted to be able to add a conveyer system to do more (industrial jobs)," said co-owner Melanie Burkhart. "We want to create financial and job stability along with creating a legacy for our kids. We would like them to be able to take over the business when we are done."

With the wide scope of colors and textures Burkhart recommends coming to the store to see the examples. "A lot of times somebody comes

in here thinking they want something black and then look at our samples and say, 'wow, I didn't know you could do that,'" he said.

According to Burkhart the cost of painting and powder coating a part is very similar. "With liquid paint you need to apply primer, topcoat and then clear coat along with cleaning the piece. I think (powder coating) is comparable if not less," said Burkhart.

Prism Powdercoating LLC, offers tax exempt for tribal members and can be reached at (920) 757-9012 or visit their website www.prismpwrcoating.com

US 41 expansion creates new income for Oneida tribal member

WisDOT reaching out to minority businesses

A newly formed Oneida landscaping company has landed a contract connected to the biggest road construction project in northeast Wisconsin's history. Ron McLester started Ron's Cut & Trim earlier this year and now finds he's playing a role in road building.

"He was very excited to get the work," said Ron Montano, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Support Engineer for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) US 41 expansion project.

In the fall of 2009 work will begin in Winnebago County and in 2010 in Brown County on the reconstruction of 32-miles of the highway, expanding it from four to six lanes. It's a \$835 million project and WisDOT is reaching out to minority and women-owned businesses to help them become DBE certified. The federal program's goal is to increase participation for disadvantaged businesses on

highway projects, by leveling the playing field and breaking out contracts for these firms to bid on.

In McLester's situation, he's been awarded a contract to maintain four properties in the town of Oshkosh that WisDOT purchased as part of the expansion project. While not DBE certified yet, his firm does qualify under the state's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) designed to also foster growth of minority businesses. Montano says McLester has applied for DBE certification and expects Ron's Cut & Trim to soon join the growing list of 48 other firms expected to compete for the millions of dollars of work the US 41 expansion will pump into the local economy.

"Once we see how his company handles this work we will consider adding more properties to his contract," said Montano.

Montano says the state is dedicated to reaching out to potential DBE qualified firms and bringing them into the process. So all minorities can share in the work the US 41 project is creating in Wisconsin.

Oneida Small Business Inc - Grant Opportunity

Do you have a business idea and would like some funds to get started? Do you already have a business and need upgraded equipment? OSB Inc will be awarding nine individuals a \$1,000 Grant in July. We received the second half of the State Legislative Award for developing a revolving loan fund for Brown and Outagamie County. Within this award,

we have identified \$9,000 to be used as grants for growing hobbies to businesses. Grant qualification/application forms must be picked up and dropped off at Bay Bank.

Deadline for applications will be end of the business day, Friday, July 18. Announcement of award recipients will be by Friday, July 25.

If you are an Oneida Business contact us at:

kali hwisaks@oneidanation.org

Rick Hill

Humbly Asking for Your Support to Serve as Oneida Tribal Chairman



Government and Business Experience

- President of The Hill Group, LLC. Assisting tribes nationally in finance, economic development, convention, and meeting planning.
- A total of 21 years of government experience including:
 - 13 years on the Business Committee
 - ~ 3 years as Chairman
 - ~ 7 years as Vice Chairman
 - ~ 3 years as Councilmember
 - 8 years as Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Association, in Washington, D.C., promoting tribal sovereignty and Indian governmental gaming.

Oneida Needs Experienced Leadership

Please vote for Rick Hill for Chairman – July 5, 2008

Authorized and paid for by Rick Hill

Vote for

SHARON ALVAREZ

For the

Trust & Enrollment Committee



Serving the last 2 years on the Trust and Enrollment Committee has been an honor.



Bachelors Degree in Business Management with an Associate Degree in Accounting.



Have been working for the Tribe since 1995.



The past 9 years I have been working at the Division of Land Management as the Financial Accounts Area Manager.



Before moving to Oneida, I worked at the Milwaukee Indian Health Board.

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Oneida Business Committee Forum

Chairman's Corner...



Chairman
Gerald Danforth

It's hard to believe that summer is here already. I hope that each of you take advantage of the nice weather and enjoy some outdoor activity. Common summer activities include: biking, golfing, boating, swimming and celebrating graduations. I have already participated in many

of the local graduation ceremonies and have been blessed to enjoy our time together as friends, family and community. I would like to express my congratulations to all of this year's Head Start, 8th Grade, High School and college graduates and wish you all the best on your future endeavors. The summer months also bring new life and new opportunities. One such opportunity will be experienced by Oneida's summer interns. For three years now, the Human Resources Department has taken the initiative to coordinate an organization-wide internship program. The program gives students the opportunity to gain real work experience in the field they are pursuing in their education. Interns work in tribal

departments like Legislative Affairs, Education, Fitness Center, Department of Public Works and Recreation to name a few. This year there are about 45 interns joining the Oneida Tribe during the summer and they will again be working at various departments throughout the organization. I would like to thank the Human Resources Department for taking the lead on organizing the summer intern program and I extend my sincerest congratulations to each of them. This program supports those pursuing higher education and it supports the tribe's philosophy about education by creating an opportunity for individuals to gain real work experience to compliment the education they are receiving.

To give you an idea of how many Oneidas are pursuing some form of higher education, I am sharing with you, information received from the most recent report from the higher education department. From August 2007 to July 2008 there were:

- 1,115 students are approved for higher education grants;
- 702 (63%) female students and 413 (37%) males students;
- 30 is the average student age and 19 is the most frequent age;
- \$9,490 is the average Higher Education grant;

- 473 (42%) are vocational/technical students and 642 (58%) Higher Education (4-yr +) students;
- The most attended schools are NWTC, College of the Menominee, Concordia University, ITT Tech, UW Green Bay, University of Phoenix and MATC Milwaukee; and finally
- The top majors are Business, Health, Social Science, Law and Education.

Lastly, with the triennial election only a few weeks away, we will be moving forward into another era with a

newly elected Business Committee. Making decisions about our future isn't easy and I realize that things will not always be exactly the way we want them to be. This holds true not just within our government, but our community and organization as well. However, no matter what issues we face as individuals, employees or government officials, the future continues to hold for us as Oneida's, a prosperity that we measure through the success of the next generation.

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Treasurer's Report

She kú,
Congratulations
First of all, I would like to congratulate all the graduates from Headstart to Higher Education. As you finish one stage in your life it is exciting to begin the next. Congratulations and best of luck in whatever your future endeavors may be. A special congratulation goes out to my niece, Merissa Danforth, for graduating from Syble Hopp School and also taking the silver medal in soccer.

June 6, 2008 at the Radisson. It is always great to see so many elders attend. This event is sponsored by the Oneida Business Committee. Thank you for all the individuals that helped put this event together on behalf of the Business Committee.



Treasurer
Mercie Danforrth

Service Agreement & Hobart
Oneida has signed a service agreement with Brown County. Although we are two different governments we were able to come together and put aside our difference to create what we feel is best for the two governments and our constituents. Unfortunately there is one municipality that seems to want to make everything bad. The Village of Hobart had filed an injunction to stop this agreement from happening. Although Oneida passed a resolution to discontinue discussion with Hobart on a new service agreement with them, it left the window wide open for Hobart to come to us and try to talk things out. It is sad to say, they did not do that. I guess they feel that spending the taxpayers' money in the court room is much more productive for their constituents than trying to come to Oneida and identifying what we can do together. As Hobart is entirely within the Oneida reservation, they will have to decide how they can work with us because I don't see us going anywhere and I don't believe that they will be going anywhere either. I guess the question you might be asking is why we don't extend our hand out to them? I feel that we tried, but it is hard to do that when someone continues to take you to court. Also, I attended Hobart's annual meeting in 2007 and asked the question to the Village President about working with us for the best of the constituents and his bottom line answer was that it was for selfish reasons because he would have to meet at night which would take away from his family time. I agree, it would take our time away from our families but in the long run it would benefit our constituents for whom we ran for our respective offices. I was not able to attend the 2008 Hobart annual meeting but

the update I received indicated that there was no willingness from Hobart to change. This came when the Village President called Tribal member taxpaying residents of Hobart "outsiders". Certainly it seems that Hobart does not want to extend a hand in collaboration and partnership.

Indigenous Games
The time is drawing closer as our athletes continue to prepare for the North American Indigenous games. These games are scheduled to occur August 2 - 10, 2008 in Duncan, British Columbia, Canada. The teams continue to fundraise, so watch and help support Team Wisconsin. Good Luck athletes and GO TEAM WISCONSIN!

General Elections
The Oneida General Election is scheduled for Saturday, July 5th. There will be two polling sites, one in Milwaukee and one here in Oneida. The locations for each of these elections have changed. The Oneida location will be held at the Oneida Elementary School and the Milwaukee location will be at there new office on Morgan Avenue. Good Luck to all the candidates.

Thank You
As you may know, I am not running for the Oneida Business Committee Treasurer. At this time, I am preparing the office for the next Treasurer. I would like to say Thank You to the Oneida Community for allowing me to serve as the Treasurer for two terms (6 years). It has not always been easy but what I have learned over these years could never be expressed. It is important for you to know that an individual can not do this on their own, it takes the whole Tribe to help guide us. I did my best in making the necessary changes I heard coming out of GTC meetings or discussions. Again, Thank You for your support and guidance. A special Thank you to my Assistants (LeeAnn Skenandore and Carole Liggins) for keeping me organized. Although LeeAnn is not with us, she will always

Legislative Update

Presidential Promises

Barack Obama came back to the Wisconsin area this past week fulfilling a promise of a return visit near the end of his campaign tour. His policies and plans of action for change in the Nation's economy are simple, yet compelling, and his manner of getting things done is laudable. As I sat and listened to his speech, I kept thinking about how Oneida people would benefit from his planned tax credits, education credits, lower cost for pharmaceuticals and co-pays, and plans for every person to be able to get health insurance of some kind. His plan to pay for all these positive changes is to eliminate the tax benefits that large corporations use to develop their businesses overseas and to decrease the tax breaks currently enjoyed by those making over \$250,000. To show how these benefits would actually impact the people, he presented a scenario of a young couple with two children living on \$37,000/year, and how they have to struggle to make ends meet. This interview was very impressive and left me with so many thoughts, as did the elders who spoke up saying they have to pay \$600 or more out of their own pocket per month to buy their medicines. If they are on a fixed income already, this must be devastating for them.

At first, I thought of the benefits those living on the reservation would receive should any of Obama's plans come to fruition. Then I started thinking of all those members who live off the reservation and how they may be impacted. It is difficult to know exactly what this impact would be without having a census of our people to find out where they live, how they live, the size of their family, household income, etc. This is one of the issues I would like to address in the next term if I am re-elected.

Understanding the high

For State and County roads, place signs at least 63 feet from the centerline. State and County roads typically have a 100 to 125 foot right-of-way - 50 to 62.5 feet from the centerline to the edge of

the right-of-way. Campaign signs that are in the right of way and will be removed. Signs may be retrieved from the Oneida Police Department or the Village of Hobart.

Your Vote Counts

The past three years have been a series of paradigm shifts for the Nation. Two main shifts that change the way the Tribe does business are found in General Tribal Council's greatly improved active participation in Tribal business and in the operational structure and management changes. As we find our way through these changes, new or refocused ideas will lead the Nation into a new millennium. I stand ready to participate with the Business Committee and GTC to identify these new changes and work towards unification of the Tribal vision and mission, solidify good government policy through proper legislation, strengthen self determination of the Nation, and reacquire Tribal lands.

Educational Achievements

Speaking of education and its benefits, congratulations to all the 2008 high school and higher education graduates. This year, there seems to be so many graduating from so many levels and all over the place. I attended several ceremonies and graduations parties already, and the invitations are still coming. In checking with the Higher Education Department, Oneida has 146 higher education graduates so far this year, and the numbers are still coming in. In just the Oneida Nation High School and 5 surrounding school districts, we have 70 high school graduates. Wow, those are impressive numbers!

According the Higher Education Department, we distributed approximately \$10,396,335 in grants so far this year. This shows that the Higher Education Financial Assistance Program is truly working. Although we have some students that cannot get all of their funding through Oneida due to the program guidelines, we are greatly helping the Oneida member with the majority of their educational financing needs.

Councilwoman



Councilwoman
Trish King

I am running for a councilmember seat on the Oneida Business Committee and I'm asking for your support again this year as I vie for a third consecutive term of office. There are many issues the Business Committee is working on that will carry over into the next term and many more important issues yet to arise. I believe my knowledge and previous experience will serve you well in continuing to share the voice of the people.

Remember, elections are being held from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on July 5, 2008 at the Oneida Nation Elementary School in Oneida and the SEOTS Office in Milwaukee. Please make every effort to make it to the polls and vote in this very important election. Your vote matters!

Oneida Business Committee Meeting Minutes

Special Business Committee Meeting • May 16, 2008 • 9:00 a.m.
Business Committee Conference Room
Members: Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair, Vince DelaRosa - Council member, Patty Hoeft - Secretary, Ed Delgado - Council member, Melinda J. Danforth - Council member
Excused: Gerald Danforth - Chair, Mercie Danforth - Treasurer, Paul Ninham - Council member, Trish King - Council member
Others Present: Dottie Krull, Julia McLester, Wanda Diemel

- 1. Called to Order:** Vice Chair Kathy Hughes at 9:13 am.
- 2. Approval of Agenda:**
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to approve the agenda with the deletion of item # 1. Tabled Business, Town of Oneida address and fire signs reconsideration, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Tabled Business**
1. Ed Delgado RE: Town of Oneida address/fire signs reconsideration
Excerpted from the May 14, 2008 Oneida Business Committee meeting: Motion by Mercie Danforth to table Town of Oneida address fire signs reconsideration, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
DELETED
- 4. Regular Session**
1. General Manager RE: Re-calculations of OHA tenant payments progress report according to Resolution 5-14-08-G
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the Oneida Housing Authority follow up report regarding Re-calculations of Oneida Housing Authority tenant payments progress report according to Resolution 5-14-08-G, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Executive Session - None**
- 6. Recess/Adjourn**
Action: Motion by Vince DelaRosa to adjourn at 9:25 a.m., seconded by Melinda J. Danforth. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on May 28, 2008 .

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Special Business Committee Meeting • May 21, 2008 • 3:00 p.m.
Business Committee Conference Room
Members: Kathy Hughes - Vice Chair, Paul Ninham - Council member, Mercie Danforth - Treasurer, Ed Delgado - Council member, Patty Hoeft - Secretary
Melinda J. Danforth - Council member
Excused: Gerald Danforth - Chair, Vince DelaRosa - Council member, Trish King - Council member
Others Present: Jason Johnson, Joyce Skenandore, Kerri Brunette, Dottie Krull, Iris Metoxen

- 1. Called to Order:** Vice Chair Kathy Hughes at 3:02 pm.
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
Action: Motion by Ed Delgado to approve the agenda, seconded by Paul Ninham. Motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Regular Session**
1. General Manager RE: Re-calculations of OHA tenant payments progress report according to Resolution 5-14-08-G
Excerpt from May 16, 2008 Special BC meeting: Motion by Ed Delgado to accept the Oneida Housing Authority follow up report regarding Re-calculations of Oneida housing authority tenant payments progress report according to Resolution 5-14-08-G, seconded by Vince DelaRosa. Motion carried unanimously.
Action: Motion by Patty Hoeft to accept the Oneida Housing Authority follow report Re-calculations of Oneida housing tenant payments progress report according to Resolution 5-14-08-G, seconded by Ed Delgado. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Executive Session - None**
- 6. Recess/Adjourn**
Action: Motion by Mercie Danforth to adjourn at 3:13 pm, seconded by Patty Hoeft. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes Approved as presented/corrected on May 28, 2008

Patricia Hoeft, Tribal Secretary
ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Next Regular Business Committee Meeting...
Wednesday • June 25, 2008 • 9:00 AM
Business Committee Conference Room
Norbert Hill Center • 2nd Floor

From Page 1A/Goodwill

Norbert Hill serves on the board of directors of Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin, and the two organizations are working together to provide services for CMN students.

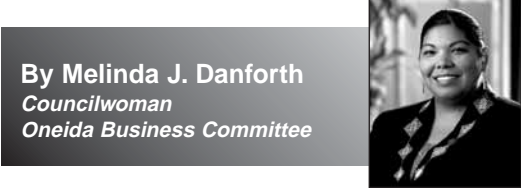
“(Goodwill) provided some vouchers, and a couple of jobs and internships and we’re trying to forge a connection with the group,” said Hill.

Pederson stated his organization wants to reach out to area Native Americans.

“We’re hoping we can help in any way we can with the Native populations here either

through vouchers or through the services we offer,” said Pederson. “We’re hoping for a real strong connection to the Oneida community.”

The new Green Bay West Goodwill Superstore and Training Center is located at 1660 West Mason. Goodwill’s Work Services Program offers job training to people with disabilities and other barriers to independence. Hours for all three Green Bay locations are 9:00am – 9:00pm Monday through Saturday and 10:00am to 6:00pm Sunday.



National Legislation

H.R. 2419 and 6124 - The Farm Bill Reauthorization

The Farm Bill is an expansive bill authorizing all agriculture programs including commodity, conservation, and nutrition programs for the country. Specifically for tribes, the bill contains a number of important provisions such as increased funding for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) which helps to conserve land and water resources. The Farm Bill would also improve outreach and technical assistance programs that tribes or tribal members could access.

On May 21st, the President vetoed the HR 2419, the Farm

Bill, over concerns related to crop subsidies to high income individuals. On May 22nd, the House and Senate voted to override the veto of President Bush on HR 2419. However, in a clerical error, HR 2419 was missing an important section of the bill related to trade. Thus, the House and Senate have passed a new bill, HR 6124, to incorporate all of the provisions. It is expected that President Bush will veto this version of the Farm Bill in the next couple of weeks, and then the House and Senate will again override that veto.

If you would like to offer your support for HR 6124 you can contact Rep. Kagen's office at 202-225-5665.

Tribal Legislation

The Legislative Operating Committee is winding down the term with the projected completion of a new Oneida Housing Authority Law and a child support law. The new Oneida Housing Authority law proposes to bring the Authority under the Tribal management structure in an effort to provide greater accountability and oversight. The Child Support law deals with paternity issues, location of parents, enforcement of

child support orders, collecting child support payments from parents legally obligated, and ensuring that both parents financially support their children. LOC is in the final drafting stages of this law and it will be presented to the Business Committee by the end of June for approval. For further inquiries or applications regarding Child Support Law, contact Lisa Schwartz or Jodi Van Cuyk at 490-3701.

Check out the Oneida Nation website:
www.oneidanation.org

Site II takes back the night, too



kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Malachi Metoxen sits patiently as Gabrielle Metoxen of the Arts Program paints his face during the Take Back the Site event at Site II. The June 10th festivities featured food, drawings and live music by Cherry Bounce. The event was used to organize Neighborhood Watch programs throughout the Oneida community.

Burke set to begin tenure on Wisconsin’s Burial Sites Preservation Board

By Nate Wisneski
Kalihwisaks

Corina Burke, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, has been appointed by Governor Jim Doyle to the State of Wisconsin Burial Sites Preservation Board and will serve a two-year term.

The current Burial Sites Preservation Board is made up of nine members and is responsible for determining which Indian tribes in Wisconsin have an interest in any catalogued burial site throughout the state. They also approve transfers of burial sites from municipal jurisdictions to private individuals.

Burke felt a local connection between the board and the Oneida community would increase the communication level on the state, tribal and federal level. “I accepted this position because it is so important not to forget to take care of our ancestors. I respect our elders, youth, and

children and do my best to take care of them while we are living but make sure not to forget to take care of them while they are resting,” said Burke. “I feel that I could be a good asset to assure no disruption, removal, or desecration of all our ancestors.”

Burke’s 14 years of experience at the local and federal level prompted her nomination by the Wisconsin Intertribal Repatriation Committee and state of Wisconsin representatives.

“The basis of my job is to make sure that Federal, State, Local, and Tribal Governments stay in compliance with the Federal Historic Preservation Law. I monitor, assess, and determine if any earth moving projects will affect our cultural, traditional, and burial sites, if so, then it is my job to ensure other alternatives within a project to the best of my ability,” Burke said of her present job with the tribe.

Burke’s responsibilities on the board do vary much from her current position. “The role of my responsibilities on this board will be on a federal,

During Burke’s tenure she would like to see forums established to better assist consultation and changes in the current Burial Law which



Corina Burke

al, local, state, and tribal level to make recommendations, work within legislative capacity, and be a part of the board for appealing cases,” she said.

would provide more comprehensive protection for burial grounds.

Local

Community Meeting Notice

(Executive Session for Enrolled Oneida Tribal Members)

Subject: Land and Business Acquisition of Golf Course Property & Clubhouse

Purpose: Present information, receive feedback and answer questions about the proposed land and business acquisition of golf course property and clubhouse known as Thornberry Creek Country Club.

Dates: Thursday, June 19, 2008 & Thursday, June 26, 2008

Location: Norbert Hill Center - 2nd Floor (B.C. Conference Room)

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Agenda: I. Welcome & Introductions
II. Overview
III. Acquisition Presentations
- Financial
- Business
- Land
- Political
IV. Question & Answer Session
V. Closing Remarks

Hosted By: Oneida Business Committee
(Lite snacks & refreshments will be provided)

Contact: Phil Wisneski, Public Relation Specialist: 920-869-4340

Additional reference resources & documents:
www.oneidanation.org; Frequently Asked Questions Sheet; GTC Meeting Packet

Local youth to compete in national pageant

Lydia Cornelius, age six, has been chosen as a State Finalist in the National American Miss Wisconsin Pageant to be held June 20 and 21 at the beautiful Marriott Middleton.

The winner of the pageant will receive a \$1000 cash award, the official crown and banner, a bouquet of roses, and air transportation to compete in the national pageant at Disneyland in California. Pageants are held for girls, age four to 18, in five age

groups.

The National American Miss pageants are dedicated to celebrating America's greatness and encouraging its future leaders. Each year, the pageant awards thousands in scholarships and prizes to recognize and assist in the development of young women nationwide. All activities are age-appropriate and family-oriented.

The National American Miss pageants are for "Today's Girl" and "Tomorrow's Leaders." The pageant program is based on inner beauty, as well as poise and presentation, and offers an "All-American spirit of fun for family and friends." Emphasis is placed on the importance of gaining self-

confidence, learning new skills, learning good attitudes about competition, and setting and achieving personal goals. The pageant seeks to recognize the accomplishments of each girl while encouraging her to set goals for the future.

Miss Lydia's activities include gymnastics, reading and Tae Kwon Do. She also enjoys golfing with her dad. Miss Lydia's sponsors include her grandmother, parents and sister.



Cornelius

Oneida Business Committee honors Dr. Loasching



Kali photo/Dawn Walschinski

YES Director Anita Barber presents Superintendent of Seymour School District Dr. William Loasching with a Pendleton blanket on Wednesday, June 11 to commemorate his years of service to the Seymour district and its Oneida students. Dr. Loasching is retiring from his position. During his administration, Seymour High School was one of the first Wisconsin schools to drop their Indian mascot.

"A lot has changed and it's because of the Oneida people," Dr. Loasching stated.

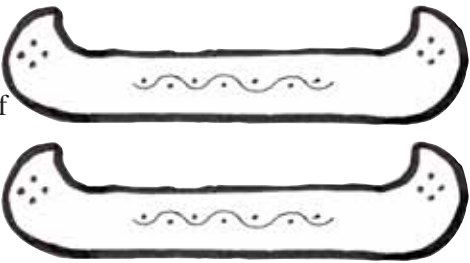
Vote **Hugh DANFORTH** for Business Committee Vice-Chairman



Change and Direction

I had many opportunities to take challenges to make a difference with our Native relatives. Here are some of the things I did:

- Served on the Four Lakes Indian Council in Madison, Wisconsin as a member and as chair and vice chair.
- Created and served as editor for the Four Lakes Indian Council News Letter, with over five hundred subscriptions.
- Served on the Wunk-Sheek Student Indian Council at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- Co-organized the successful effort to stop the State of Wisconsin from renaming Hwy 151 to Columbus Hwy.
- Co-organized the successful effort to stop the Milwaukee Circus Parade from using the State of Wisconsin Historical Society Pawnee Bill Circus Wagon which depicted Columbus planting his flag on our land on one side of the wagon and Pocahontes fending off savage killing Indians from killing John Smith on the other.
- Participated with the Midwest Treaty Network from Madison, WI, four straight years at Lac du Flambeau during their spear fishing season boat landing controversy, the first two years I ran their office.
- Testified many times on the Indian Mascot Issue at state and local hearings.
- Initiated in the spring of 1993, the successful push for a UW-Madison Indian Mascot Policy which became a policy in the fall of 1993, which means the Badgers won't be playing any teams with Indian logo, names or mascots unless it's a traditional rival or in tournaments. (Marquette dropped its Indian Name and logo in the spring of 1994, University of Illinois dropped its Indian, logo, and mascot in 2007)
- Served in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict.
- Worked for the State of Wisconsin as an electronic technician for thirty-two years, twenty-four of those years for the University of Wisconsin and fifteen of those years as a supervisor working with budgets, management, and bureaucracy.
- Served on and I'm also running for:
 - Oneida Nation Commission of Aging, at one point as vice chair.
 - Land Commission
 - Land Claims



These activities, co-organizing, initiating, things I've done I felt was the moral thing to do for our people and other Native relatives.

Also, for the Oneida Nation, health care is our number one priority. We have a community health center, a nursing home, and other facilities pertaining to health care. However, Oneida has no health care plan. With out a plan, there's no direction. As Vice Chairmen, I would push for a health care plan. But more important, I would push for a Long Term Care plan which would be a big part of the Health Care Plan.

I want to be your Vice Chairmen. We have a moral issue with non-Indians and I feel that we haven't taken full advantage of our moral position. Up to this point, we've done pretty good and not pressing the issue may have helped. However, it's time for change. And I want to be part of that change and push for change as your Vice Chairman.

Authorized and paid for by Hugh Danforth

Candidates

Linda Dallas

Hello everyone, my name is Linda S. Dallas. Many know me as "Buffy". I have lived, played, grown up, learned and worked in our Community throughout my life. I am thankful for the bountiful blessings God bestowed upon our tribe and our people. If elected to be your Chairwoman, I will work hard to ensure we utilize and share all of our blessings in a reasonable, respectful, responsible and accountable manner to benefit all Oneida Tribal Members fairly and consistently. We need



Linda Dallas

a major change. I am interested working toward a positive change that includes everyone. My grandparents (Nancy & Anderson Summers and Gladys and Herbert Dallas), parents (Milton & Nadine Dallas), aunts, uncles, teachers and mentors have all taught me "If you want something, you need to go out there and earn it." That is exactly what I have done over the last fifteen (15) years. I have spent my adult life committed to serving and improving our community. I began working for us in 1986 as a secretary in our Oneida Conservation Department. Since then, I have gained valuable knowledge skills and experience in the day-to-day operations as a frontline employee, supervisor, manager, and director in our tribal enterprises: Retail, Slots, Bingo and Table Games (Blackjack). I served in appointed and elected capacities for the Personnel Commission, Election Board and Gaming Commission. My political interest and active involvement within the community, the employment sector and governmental affairs began in 1993. It was at this time that I became actively involved and started my role as a liaison and

advocate for our people and Tribal employees. I am actively involved on a regular basis through out each and every year, not just during election time. I advocate for employees. I attend Oneida Business Committee meetings, Oneida General Tribal Council meetings, community meetings, various Tribal board, committee and commission meetings, employee and community functions. Those who know me and work with me know my loyalty and dedication has always belonged to our people as a whole. I am not interested in "special interest groups". I am not interested in maintaining the "status quo". I do not hide information. Rather I work with people to bring the issues to the fore front. I will continue to work diligently to keep the membership informed in a timely manner. I believe in being open and honest with our people. I will seek guidance and approval from the General Tribal Council because I truly believe that given the opportunity, our people will receive information, review the information, discuss the information, ask questions and then make good sound decisions. I offer my education, knowledge, experience, skills, tenacity and diligence to make a positive contribute to our community, businesses, programs, and to our government. With all this said, I respectfully ask you to please do me the honor of voting me to be your next Tribal Chairwoman.

Sincerely, Linda S. Dallas

Tina Danforth

Tina Danforth
Tribal Treasurer Candidate
Oneida Business Committee

Kwahlakuni niyunkyats, okahli otah'hyuni ni waket tahlota.

My name is Kwahlakuni (Influential) and I am Wolf Clan.

I am a candidate for the Treasurer of the Oneida Business Committee. I am the former Chairwoman of the Oneida Tribe and I also served as the Vice Chairwoman and as a

Councilwoman, all of which was over nine consecutive years (1996 - 2005). This experience has given me many opportunities and experience in the political structure and governing body of the Oneida Tribe. It has also afforded me the understanding of tribal values, a sense of community and the balance of exercising our sovereign rights as a people.



During this tenure I was actively involved in the development and implementation of tribal, state, and federal policy. I participated in lobbying efforts on behalf of Oneida and other Tribal Nations throughout the United States. My experience garnered me the respect to also advocate and speak on behalf of Oneida, and many Tribes in the Midwest (United Tribes of Wisconsin, Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes, and Great Lakes Inter Tribal Council).

After leaving public office at the tribal level, I was elected to the Oneida Gaming Commission (Vice Chairwoman) and then to the Oneida Judiciary as a Judicial Officer. Both of these opportunities gave me a greater perspective of the regulatory function and policy impact that benefits our community and tribal organization. Both of these roles gave insight to the complex interplay between regulations, tribal management, and the oversight of our respective governing bodies.

Since 2000, I have been involved with the development of Native American Bank N.A. in Denver, CO. I participated in two years of its planning and assisted in lobbying the Office of Comptroller and the Federal Reserve to obtain a charter as a national bank. The bank opened its branch in the fall of 2001. I was then elected by my peers of the Native American Bancorporation (holding company board) to be their Vice Chairwoman and in 2006, elected to serve as their Chairwoman. This has been a tremendous learning experience for me and continues to keep me involved with tribes at the national level.

Most recently, I have been engaged with the building and development of a small business development in partnership with my husband Paul Danforth. This has given me first hand experience of planning and building construction. The operation of our sports bar and grill, White Eagle, has helped me better understand the aspects of small business and competing in the private sector.

As a candidate for the Treasurer, I will continue to participate in policy development to better suit the needs of the Oneida Community. While fiscal and governmental responsibility continues to be a challenge, I will see to develop our micro economy and our ability to compete in the surrounding corporate industry. I will strive to balance revenue generation with the basic needs (health, housing, education, and employment) of our citizens.

Vince DelaRosa

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"It has been a pleasure working for the Oneida people and I wish all the candidates good luck this July.

Over the past 15 years, I've served in various capacities within the Oneida Community. On many occasions I've volunteered and worked side-by-side with many honest and hard working Oneida People that desire to improve the quality of life for the Oneida People. What Oneida's want more than anything is a secure and prosperous future for our children and grand children.

Currently, I'm serving as a Councilman on the Oneida Business Committee and in this position I've tackled many tough issues over the years. For example, two important studies that I worked on were the Pawley Report on Administrative Reform and the Hewitt Study which was a Human Resources Review. Likewise, I have also written many important policy reports and other significant reform measures. Some of the subject matters that I've worked on range from several exciting health care initiatives to a dynamic per-capita plan. I've also done work on wage improvements, small business funding (Oneida Small Business Project 2000) a Military Service Protection Act and volumes of internal reforms measures.

As a leader I've lead a lot of great efforts which have been met with some resistance by those that do not want change. Restructuring Plan B is prime example of that. Remember, the GTC approved this plan and some leaders of the nation have stalled this reform piece. Three years ago on September 20, 2005, I formally requested that cameras videotape all the Oneida Business Committee meetings so the Oneida People could watch their Council Members conduct official tribal business.



Vince DelaRosa

However, a majority of the current Business Committee Members opposed the videotaping of our meetings and the cameras were removed.

As we prepare for the July elections, one of the most inspiring ideas that I have about this nation is that most people that I meet want positive change. The majority of the Oneida people and employees are honest hard-working people and they want change, a new vision and a better way for them and their families. Here is a practical example of the people's needs falling on deaf ears. When the last per-capita payment went out, I was asking that the one-time special payment of \$5,000 and \$10,000 not be counted against tribal members rents who were tenants with the housing authority. No one supported my efforts on the OBC except for one other councilman. I would note, we did pass a resolution recently to cure this matter but many Oneida people were impacted.

I thank you for reading my submission here. If you'd like more information regarding

my ideas, please go to my web-site at www.Vince2008.com

Best wishes and take care.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vince DelaRosa, Candidate for Vice-Chairman

The Past is our Heritage

The Present is our

Responsibility

The Future is our Challenge

Kristine Hill

Greetings Family and Friends. My name is Kristine Hill. I am running for the office of the VICE CHAIR for the Oneida Business Committee.

I am married to Steve Hill, and we have six children ages 28 years to 18 months. Aside from my 16 years and Steve's 23 years of service, each of our older five children has worked or is working for the



Kristine Hill

Oneida Tribe. My mom, Connie Doxtater, works for the Oneida Tribe as well. Through family discussions, we have taken a birds eye view of the issues through the eyes of our children and family. We have seen both the good and the bad and have been able to make objective decisions about how to move forward through any given situation facing us as Oneidas.

I have completed an Associates Degree in Supervisory Management, a Bachelors Degree with a double major in Management and Human Resource Management, a Masters Degree in Management and Organizational Behavior, both from Silver Lake College and have one class remaining to complete my coursework for a PhD in Leadership Studies at Marian College.

I have worked in various capacities within the Oneida Tribe; currently supervising the grant funded V.R Project as the Counselor Administrator, assisting Native Americans with disabilities in attaining and keeping employment. I also work on a Leadership Development team that trains our managers to be more effective and successful in their positions. Additionally, I served as Vice Chair on the Oneida Nation School Board. Through this experience, I have been able to effectively handle situations, solve problems, implement solutions and contribute to keeping our community and organization progressive and competitive in the industry overall.

There are currently several issues facing Oneida such as Per Capita, deteriorating relationships with area municipalities, housing, the lack of it and perceived fairness of it, the ability to diversify economically, an already overcrowded health care facility and the need to provide for the growing elder and youth populations.

I plan to address the needs of the membership by encouraging some positive changes in our systems and by:

- Employing a Forward Focus mindset, which means: A practical return to the term "Proud and Progressive." We led the transition from dependent Indian Nation to third largest employer, and then seemed to stall. I would like to see us regain the lead on improved Tribal Government and strong, profitable businesses.

- Establishing Effective Communications with True 7th Generation Thinking - In depth decision-making involvement of the people in planning, and effective communication for the next seven generations and beyond.

- Accepting and asking us all to take Personal Responsibility for the state of Oneida Nation. To me, a responsible/responsive government means increased transparency of the issues. Discuss them, promote them, inform the membership of them, and work to solve them. Responsible/responsive citizenship means we need to determine how you and I can support and promote active problem solving and person to person communication.

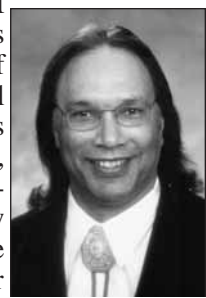
Thank you for taking the time to read my introduction. Contact me at Khillwolf1@yahoo.com

Rick Hill

My name is Rick Hill. I am seeking the office of Chairman of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin.

Experience

At the age of 23, I was the youngest tribal member elected to serve on the Council. In 1983, I was elected to serve as Vice Chairman, a post that my father, Norbert Hill, Sr. held. From 1990 until 1993, I had the honor of serving as Chairman of the Oneida Nation. Also in 1993, I was elected as Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA), the premier Indian gaming, lobbying and public awareness organization. I served as Chairman of NIGA until 2001. As Chairman, the organization saw incredible victories for Indian gaming. During



Rick Hill

my tenure, I was one of many who helped solidify the image of Indian gaming nationally as a legitimate industry. One of my proudest accomplishments was to help establish the profitable Washington, D.C. Marriott Residence Inn as part of Oneida's diversity portfolio. Currently I am President of The Hill Group, LLC, assisting tribes with finance, economic development and convention and meeting planning.

My Major Campaign Issues

Collectively walk our prayers. To know where we are going we cannot forget where we have been.

Internally

- To strengthen our inherent sovereign rights through nation building and inclusion of all Oneida.

- To hold quarterly General Tribal Council meetings and present operational scorecards, dialogue and involvement of the General Tribal Council on governance, elder, healthcare, housing, land, economic development and recreation.

Externally

- To secure greater participation by our members by directly involving them and implementing our public policy positions.

Economy

- To build a sustainable Oneida economy.
- To aggressively reacquire and reclaim our original land base.
- To develop new jobs for our children through economic development so they can build a life in Oneida.

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Candidates

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• We need to diversify businesses with a long-term economic development plan, be more accountable and efficient in the operation of the Tribe and Buy Oneida

• To support ourselves by utilizing Oneida entrepreneurs and their products and services.

• To promote natural environmental practices.

Per Capita
• To ensure per capita payments through the building of an endowment plan to be funded at necessary levels and increase revenue by expanding gaming and hospitality services.

Elders, Children and Veterans

• To honor the past and grow the future by supporting our elderly projects, study our health care plan to meet future needs and services.

• To invest in our children and live Oneida values.

• To honor our Veterans by securing funding for a new veterans facility.

Housing

• To hold legitimate hearings on all of our housing issues and create a factual record to clearly identify a policy, program and funding to meet these important needs.

Education
• Identify job opportunities and train tribal members to fill these positions.

Recreation
• To identify the recreational needs to improve our park and recreation program.

I respectfully ask for your support in seeking the office of Oneida Tribal Chairman.

Patty Ninham-Hoeft

Patty Ninham Hoeft
Tribal Secretary

When I was first elected Tribal Secretary almost three years ago, I came in fighting for change, pushing for openness, and searching for ways to make Oneida government better. I introduced good government reforms and teamed up with a small group of like-minded people who helped me get a web page built for the Business Committee, get BC minutes published in the Kalihwisaks, figure out

how to get BC meetings videotaped, re-build the tribal records management system, put meaningful information into the annual and semi-annual reports, and require, which may be for the first time, the Tribe's external auditors to give a report directly to the GTC starting at this year's semi-annual meeting.

This list is just some of the changes accomplished during my term. Other changes affecting how we think about our role and responsibility in tribal government, whether we are elected or appointed officials, managers, or employees, are less visible. The differences between governing and managing must be clear to us. Being a member of the BC is to govern. To set direction, make decisions about what the

tribe will do and to monitor performance, progress and results. Managers figure out how to implement a directive and to do so effectively and/or efficiently. The BC is often held accountable for services and performances that it knew little about.

I am running for re-election as the Tribal Secretary because I want to continue working to change Oneida government so it becomes more open, its leaders accountable, and to find ways to make it easier for tribal members to participate. This kind of change is possible when you have a Tribal Secretary who will strive to serve all tribal members, regardless of what side of an issue you are on. The Tribal Secretary's Office is the hub of government because much of the information about what our tribal government does is produced or maintained in here. It is critical that tribal members are confident that their Tribal Secretary will serve with integrity, trust and professionalism.

As Tribal Secretary, I'll continue working for change. I'll continue questioning the status quo to help our government become more accountable. I'll work for reform of rules and laws to create more open government and checks and balances. And I'll continue to remind our tribal leaders, managers and members that we run a government that's answerable to all of the Oneida people.

If you have questions or concerns, call me at (920) 434-8817 or e-mail me at hoeftcrew@aol.com

Kathy Hughes

Kathy Hughes, Vice Chairwoman, Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin

I have 20 years of experience as an elected Official, first as Tribal Treasurer and presently as Vice Chairwoman. I have worked for the Oneida Tribe for 32 years and am completing my seventh term on the Oneida Business Committee

Committees I have served on are: Oneida Finance Committee, Ad Hoc member of the Oneida Audit Committee, Self-Governance Advisory Committee, Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling and the Governor's Council on Small, Minority and Veterans Business Opportunities. I have also served as Co-chair of the Oneida American Cancer Relay for Life Committee.

In carrying out duties as an Tribal Treasurer, I have been involved in intergovernmental negotiations for Municipal Service Agreements and numerous financial negotiations.

I am Veteran (Viet Nam Era) and a graduate of Fox Valley Technical College with an Associate Degree in Accounting.

Some of the highlights of my tenure with the Oneida Tribe are:

1. I served as a lead negotiator for Oneida Compact negotiations with the State of Wisconsin, and led the way for how Indian gaming is conducted in Wisconsin. Since the inception of Indian gaming in 1976, I worked to keep Indian Gaming as one of the best regulated industries in the nation. I have been a negotiator in every compact negotiation of the Oneida Tribe since 1988 when the Indian Gaming

Regulatory Act was passed. As such I have the ability to grasp a wide range of gaming issues on the federal, state and Tribal level to incorporate the interests together.

2. The Oneida Nation continues to change in many ways that promise to bring more to the people in terms of cultural and traditional values, financial growth and community expansion of resources and services. During this term I sought to use my experience and knowledge of Tribal business to continue to diversify our reservation economy. The expansion of business on the Oneida reservation equates to expansion of financial resources to provide services

and benefits to our membership, not just here in Oneida, but nationwide. We now are leaders in the hospitality industry and have joined in partnerships for hotels on both the east and west coast. We have a great reputation for our ability to be successful business managers and I will continue to promote our enterprises.

Some of the decisions we make to diversify our economy have been good decisions, admittedly, not all. As we are approached with business opportunities we must evaluate them for what contribution they may bring to the Oneida Nation long and short term.

Certainly every venture we

invest in will not turn a profit as quickly as gaming has, and if we are to learn from our successful ventures must exploit those ventures to capitalize on more economic success.

I am asking for your continued support and if re-elected, I ask the Oneida people for one thing this term, I ask them to be patient and diligent in their oversight of Tribal government.

Carole Liggins

Hello, my name is Carole Liggins and I am a candidate for the office of Tribal Secretary. My parents are the late Carl Danforth and Alfreda and Allen Green; I

have two daughters, Chrissy and Lisa; and two grandchildren, Bailey Ann and Thurston Jr.

Experience & Knowledge

-Six yrs

with the

Oneida

Business

Committee

-Two yrs

with the

Oneida Trust

Department

-32 yrs

with the U.S.

Postal Service

-10 yrs as an Oneida

Appeals Commissioner



Carole Liggins

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Candidates

The True Progressive Candidate for Tribal Chairman of the Oneida Nation Vote

Mark A. Powless Sr.

Hello, my name is Mark A. Powless Sr. I am seeking the Office of the Tribal Chairman to represent all of us. I bring 30 years of tribal experience to the office of tribal Chairman. I have previously served on the Oneida Business Committee for three terms for a total of nine years. I have previously served as Chairman of the Oneida Tribal School Board, Chairman of the Oneida Land Committee, Chairman of the Tribal Cemetery Board. Chairman of the National Task Force on Gaming on Indian Reservations, and I am a Co-Founder of the National Indian Gaming Association.

It has been said that a political race by its very nature means candidates disagreeing with each other about a range of issues. Nevertheless, there is one thing we can all agree on: the people of the Oneida Nation deserve a strong voice that represents all of us, not just the well connected few.

We all know how important it is to protect the unique and special place we call home. I think we can all agree on - that we are facing some serious challenges; for example, the attack on the Nation's sovereign right to exist is a serious concern. The village of Hobart has challenged our right to exert our Sovereignty on the Oneida Reservation. Most recently, the Village of Hobart has challenged us in court with regard to the status of our land located within the original boundaries of the reservation. We must be forever diligent in protecting the Nation from outside forces; we must be prepared to meet these challenges head on. I would propose a collective strategy utilizing the expertise of the many Indian Nations located throughout the country. Our leadership, needs to be experienced enough to guide the nation through finding real solutions to these challenges, and to embrace new and innovative ways solving our problems.

Leadership: the elected leaders of the Oneida Nation are not considered Traditional Chiefs however; the traditional values of leadership are a mainstay in the core values of basic beliefs of Iroquois people. It is my belief that the basis of good leadership is honorable character and selfless service to the nation and the organization.

State of the Nation: I propose the Oneida Business Committee conduct a six-month review/analysis of the nation's organizational structure. I would propose to address the nation's future by preparing a status report on the state of the nation. As a nation, it is imperative that we work together and place an emphasis on communicating so that we reexamine structure and make changes to benefit the nation.

Accountability: I support the need for accountability. Accountability means building a strong nation with an organizational structure committed to the highest standards, it requires more than just following laws. It also requires fostering practices that create an environment of transparency, accountability, and integrity. Accountability reassures its members/employees of its commitment to upholding the public trust vital to earning trust, and respect, in fulfilling the nation's mission. Enhancing the nation's current laws and policies can do this. I believe and support the concept of leading by example.

Employment: Employment for all tribal members is a priority. I support the employment of tribal members and the upward mobility of tribal member employees within the organizational structure of the nation. I support the need to have qualified tribal members in key management positions. The nation needs to assist and provide innovative ways to ensure tribal members have an opportunity to become qualified to better serve the nation.

Social Services: I support the need to improve the social services of the nation, and to work in meeting the unmet needs of the nation in this area. For example, we need to improve the quality of life for those afflicted with alcohol and drug problems by providing opportunities for wellness we need to evaluate and access the need for a halfway house. Children in need and at risk need a safe environment I support the need for a group home for our children.

Healthcare: I support the need for additional health care dollars to improve the delivery of health care services and additional dollars to increase the staffing levels of the health center.

Elders: I support the need to provide additional dollars to improve the delivery of services to our elderly. I support the elderly assisted living project. I support the efforts of the Oneida Nation Commission on Aging in addressing the long-term care options for elderly members of the nation.

I humbly request your support and vote. I encourage each and every tribal member to come out and vote for the candidate of your choice.

PLEASE VOTE ON JULY 5TH – YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

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Kathy Hughes



Patty Ninham-Hoeft

Local

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-Six yrs as an Oneida Nation School Board Member
-Five yrs (two different terms) as an Election Board Member
As an elected official, I would support a responsible expansion of our Gaming operation, one that would bring our Nation as a leader in Wisconsin's gaming industry once again. We must give Gaming our attention in order to increase our current revenue so that as a Government we can continue to fund tribal services and support the current variety of career options available in our nation. We also need to explore other viable revenue sources to develop our community's economy.
Effective communication with tribal members is an area we can improve upon. I believe in concise and thought out changes to the way we communicate, so much so that I volunteered to be part of a "Communication Taskforce" that has been working to evaluate and improve our current methods of communication.
This is an exciting time for the GTC and the Business Committee. The growing number of active GTC members is a great turning point in our history and as Tribal Secretary, I am prepared with

a plan and a course of action to synchronize GTC meetings with the flexibility needed by the BC to provide you with pertinent information.
I believe it is important to work cooperatively with local, state, and federal government agencies in order to translate our Nation's goals and objectives into policy that will benefit all Oneidas. Mutual respect is a key to developing and maintaining these relationships and I support looking for that type of respect first, before making any decisions that may be detrimental to the Nation's overall success.
I believe our Nation's leaders need to focus on the tribe. It is important for our leaders to interact with other governments and leaders for a variety of reasons; however, the Tribal Secretary needs to focus on providing effective ways to communicate with GTC and maintaining Tribal records. I believe this responsibility is go important that the Tribal Secretary should only represent one government.
Finally, I believe as a Nation, as a people, as employees we need to strive for excellence in everything we do. And if elected to the office of Tribal Secretary, I WILL strive for excellence for you and the Nation.
Thank you.

Greg Matson
GREG MATSON - Lotatyot^she
"It's all about You GTC" I am seeking the position of Vice Chair. Please review my blog for more information. <http://gm4vicechair.blogspot.com>
Sovereignty: We need to be able to sustain our nation on our own - with that then we have begun to establish sovereignty.
Economic Growth. When we create "Commerce" with the use of the Free Trade Zone this will lead us to full employment.
Social issues can be corrected by understanding more of our culture. Many of our downfalls are from assimilation into other cultures. More programs need to have the ability to change this.
Elder Care: Without elders we wouldn't be here. We must care for them, that's "our ways". We will all be elders. The stronger the programs we develop for them the stronger our individual future and nation will be.
Jobs: Training begins with every job from delivering papers to Computer Technology and yet we have a very limited training



Greg Matson

program prior to employment. This needs to change in order to create work ethic and self sufficiency. This needs to be focused on outside of gaming such as skilled trades and light manufacturing. (Free Trades Zone)
Health: Without Health death is eminent, so lets focus!, not just on prescription drugs but on beginning with the nutritional end and our Indigenous foods and natural medicines. I was told once that whatever you are in need of the creator usually grows it right outside your longhouse. Lets bring Tsyunhehkw^ to the forefront of our food habits. "You are what you eat."
Housing: Build Energy efficient homes that will exceed the standard. Being an owner in the building trades will create savings, and profit as well as generate jobs for our up and coming youth and Oneida Citizens.
Land: Land acquisition should be today. "Buy tomorrow land at today's prices and save." with that said, I think the important issue is what you do with it once you have it. Build houses, grow consumable crops in quantity, utilize wetlands for things like wild rice, cranberries, blueberries, fish stock ponds, etc.
Language and Culture:

This is what separates us as a people (species) Just like the animals. They are not confused and yet we are. The wolf doesn't "pack" with the coyote because they're language and ways are different. The birds may share the sky but not the same nest. We need to keep our Language and Culture alive or we will not be unique from any others .
I have 35 years of "hard" work experience in both business and construction, being self employed for 15 years.
In closing, I think we have spent a lot of money on policies and procedures throughout the tribe.
I believe these are needed but sometimes get in the way of common sense and progress. I have a multi-layer plan so we can change that together. With your vote the GTC can regain the "power of the pen"
Yaw^ko, Greg Matson

Lee McLester
To the General Tribal Council Members:
My name is Lee Gordon McLester III, but my family calls me Gordy. My wife of 49 years is Betty (Benson); we have four children, fifteen grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren. We all live in Oneida, within five miles as the crow flies. My

family is one of the reasons I am seeking the position of Tribal Treasurer. Besides having so much to be thankful for, the Oneida Nation has much to be proud of. With your support, I would like to be part of the team you select to continue trying to make the Oneida Nation the best it can be for the benefit of our children. They are the future of our nation.
We all sit within the circle of life here in Oneida, and each one of us has concerns that we feel need to change. Before our ancestors moved to this area they had their list of concerns and when they looked at their list it looked a lot like the list we have today. Land, Housing, Health Care, Education, and Sovereignty. We as a people have faced these issues from the beginning of time and our children will face the same issues. I think our job is to create an environment that they can take a hold of and carry on just as we have to do with the resources our elders left us to work with. The issues pretty much remain the same, its how we work together to over come those issues we continue to face as a Nation.
I would like to share with you some of my experiences that I hope would help in dealing with the issues we face as the Oneida Nation.
Experience:
Oneida Business Committee
6 years councilperson - 6 years Tribal Secretary
J & M Machine
Co-owner & operator of a machine shop for 20 years
Bear Claw Gaming & Associates
Consultant to Tribal Casinos & Research of Tribal Histories - 14 years
USMC Reserve - 6 years
Learned to follow directions, work as a team, and take the initiative
My experience has been to work with a team in the planning, development, and implementation of a project. This is the background I can bring to work with the Business Committee you elect. Together (GTC & OBC) we can continue to keep the Oneida Nation strong and have a better place for our children.
I would appreciate your vote for Treasurer, but if I am not your choice please vote in the coming election for the benefit of the Oneida Nation.
Thank you, L. Gordon McLester III



Lee McLester

Another Perspective

This is to address some of the comments that recently appeared in the columns of three of our Business Committee Leaders in reference to the StrateGlobe contract on performance management, and to clarify some of the misrepresentations.
A need for a performance management system was identified by the HR manager and some of our forward thinking leaders, in direct response to many of the GTC comments to address the perceived internal waste of the operations. StrateGlobe was asked to submit a bid, not only to establish a performance management system, but also to help with the implementation phase (this is where there can easily be a breakdown in our work from external consultants). It included identifying three software platforms (for the Tribe's final determination); and the training that would be needed for the implementation in a very tight schedule (9 months to train ALL 3000+ employees - a \$250,000 direct expense).
Additionally, it included large direct expenses, such as flying in representatives from organizations and companies to share their challenges on moving toward performance excellence. It was established early on that if the training could be provided in-house, that would reduce the contract cost by that amount. This gives an opportunity for the Tribe to do as much work internally to minimize the cost.
Therefore, the suggestion that the total value of the contract would be one-person's fees, is as misleading as assuming that our gross revenue (intake/drop) from gaming is the Tribe's amount to spend. Consideration needs to be given to the direct expenses associated with gaming -- i.e. payouts as regulated by compact, and operational expenses.
However, let's not lose sight of the issue at hand. If we assume that we do NOT need a performance management system, then we must indisputably believe that presently our operation provides the highest quality of service; the best place to work for our employees (a positive environment); the best processes for continuous improvement; and the best systems in place to provide the best return on financial performance across all divisions.
The performance management project was designed to provide a connection to "best of class" practices to enhance execution that would promote economic development and high quality of life through organizational excellence. The project had merit in being a "first" in Indian Country with an integrated system of excellence (those "firsts" that are recognized by the Harvard Project throughout Indian Country). The project had the opportunity to bring best performing companies to Oneida to dialogue on the challenges and successes of a journey toward performance excellence - to showcase first-hand a sovereign Nation and its culture.
The sole-sourcing went through the normal channels that are set up by the Tribe. This is not the first contract to be sole-sourced, nor do I believe that it will be the last contract sole-sourced. All BC members should have as leaders a responsibility to be attuned throughout their terms to the projects that can impact the Tribe's operations.
As for StrateGlobe LLC, it is a business consulting firm, established in Missouri, and with a presence in Oneida, Wisconsin. It is denoted as a small business, 100% woman-owned, Native American (Oneida) firm. It has been awarded its Federal 8(a) and Wisconsin DOT/DBE minority statuses.

The firm's work involves both domestic and international arenas and specializes in:

- Identifying new revenue markets and customer bases;
- Designing new systems and processes that support organizational performance;
- Planning for integrated supply chains;
- Training for workforce development in order to capture new opportunities and operational efficiencies with "best of class" practices.
- Establishing new markets with a concentration on Latin America

As for myself as the principal of this practice, I bring a background with multinationals in assessing new revenue streams; creating and implementing expansion plans for start up business units; developing international marketing plans; and benchmarking best of class practices. I am fluent in Spanish and have worked in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Venezuela, and the U.K. in contract compliance, business development, project management, and with P&L responsibilities. My experience ranges across various industries including architecture & engineering, manufacturing, technology distribution, banking, and aviation. Most important, I am Oneida - and proud of it.
Many of the projects I have undertaken have been to bring best practices to establish a competitive and sustainable advantage for companies. I am fortunate to be a member of a consortium of companies with varied experiences, to be able to draw on any needed expertise for specific projects.
I have taught at the university level, both undergraduates and masters (International and Corporate Strategies); high school level; and I'm a guest speaker for the St. Louis World Trade Centre on international expansion strategies. My most enjoyable teaching experience was my time teaching 2nd graders in Texas -- as I believe our youth are our future!
As a constituent, I am aware of the challenges of working within this sovereign environment - that one external solution does not necessarily fit our needs, our culture, and our people. Therefore, I commend those forward thinkers in driving this from an Oneida Preference perspective. As a professional who has business expertise with best of class practices, and a large network of external clients to leverage the needed expertise for this performance management project, I am honored to be a contributor toward performance excellence.
As a tribal member, I will continue to "invest" my knowledge to contribute to the Nation; and to support the tribal Government's efforts to operate efficiently, with good governance, and with the best interest of its constituents. Let's live by our slogan of Proud and Progressive

Joanie Buckley
Tribal #6764
for StrateGlobe LLC

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Vote Eugene (Yogi) Metoxen for Business Committee
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Accessible
Experienced
I bring valuable work experience to the Tribe as an individual with more than 25 years of employment in the public sector. I have demonstrated my commitment to employment by having an exceptional work record of 25 years in a local manufacturing business, which ended by striking employees in 1993. I have worked in the Tribal structure in various positions since. Including one term on the Oneida Business Committee. I am a graduate of West DePere High School and Milwaukee Institute of Technology.



Eugene Metoxen

Local

From Page 11A/
Candidates

Steve Mittag

Dear General Tribal Council,
My name is Steve Mittag; I am running for Oneida Business Committee with my focus on a Councilman's position. I am asking for your partnership and your vote on July 5, 2008. If you grant me the honor of serving you



Steve Mittag

a s Councilman I can assure that, I will bring back s t r o n g m o r a l s , integrity, and ethics to the Oneida Business Committee that I believe has slowly disappeared over the last 10 to 15 years. I cannot make any promises other than I will give 100% effort for you, the people of the Oneida Nation. The following items are what I would like to accomplish if you grant me your vote:

1. Audit
It would be my intention to gain the support of my colleagues on the Business Committee to request from the General Tribal Council the necessary money and time to conduct a FULL and no-parameter audit of all Tribal assets. We need to now where every penny our Nation has (or doesn't have) is. We need to know where we are before we know where we can go. This full audit will be brought to you in a GTC meeting.
2. Budgets
This Nation has been subjected to severe over spending

and the government has an unquenchable appetite for more. From \$132 million budget in 2000 to a HALF A BILLION dollar budget in 2007. If elected, it would be my intention to freeze ALL departmental and division budgets at current levels, have all Directors and Managers reexamine their budgets and make the necessary cuts, by as much as 50%. In addition, all departments should be ordered to LINE ITEM ALL expenditures.

3. Spending
If elected I will introduce a GTC resolution to have ALL expenditures, proposed partnerships, contracts, etc. be brought before the GTC BEFORE ANY decision is made. No more "back room" and "sweetheart" deals made behind our backs...period!

4. Housing
We have land...question is what exactly are we doing with it? Our citizens need housing...QUALITY housing. Some programs we have now such as the "Dream Home" program is just that...a dream. We must re-examine all housing programs and make them affordable and accessible for all our citizens, especially our Elders. NO MORE THREATS to our Elders!!

5. Economy
Due to poor management and complete lack of planning, we have not expanded our local economy. That leaves us for the time being with gaming still our main revenue generator. We as a nation MUST expand our economy because gaming is leveling off. We must search out and assist local entrepreneurs' to build businesses and search out VIABLE business

partnerships.
These items along with an assisted living facility/nursing home, per capita, gaming expansion and re-design of the Tribal Structure are some of the ideas I would like to accomplish on your behalf. I cannot do it alone; I need your help and your partnership to get this done. I ask for you vote and support July 5, 2008.

Thank you,
Steve Mittag

Fred Muscavitch

I am running for Treasurer because I believe I can bring needed changes to that position. I recognize that the Treasurer's staff is well qualified in many ways. I recognize that they receive excellent support from;

1. The Chief Financial Officer
 2. The Accounting Department
 3. The Audit Committee
- The Treasurer's office has excellent financial expertise, but it needs someone with a vision to direct it in making needed changes.

My qualifications include:
1. Many years of working for the Tribe
2. Many years of work with native issues in both Oneida and Milwaukee
3. Learning from many Oneida elders over the years
4. My ability to make change happen. I believe this is the quality that differentiates me from the other candidates. Many people talk about what needs to change and some people spend years planning changes. I know that I can make the changes happen.
5. I am dedicated to the Oneida Nation. I am very proud to be a member and I am very grateful to the many

elders who have guided me, the many veterans who have made my successes possible, and all Oneida people who have enabled me to be where I am today.

6. I have many years of experience working with local, state, and federal programs

7. Being a member of the Senior Management Team, having worked on elder issues, land issues, housing issues, and social service issues; I have a broad view of the Tribe's situation today. This understanding leads me to a realistic vision for our future.

My priorities are:
1. To protect our Nation, its people, and resources.

2. To provide the membership with an understandable budget.

3. To provide the membership with clear communication.

4. To reduce the number of executive session topics.

5. To address pressing issues like the Assisted Living and Veterans' facilities. Define the problem, address the problem, and end the problem.

6. To base all of my decisions on what is best for our Nation, our cherished elders and our honored veterans. The elders and veterans need to be invited to advise the BC on a regular basis.

I hope you will consider voting for me. If you don't know me, I encourage you to ask around about me. Thank you for taking the time to read this article. Fred

Lee Ninham

Greetings! I am looking for your support in the election on July 5th. I am running for Tribal Chairman because I believe I can provide the kind of "Leadership" which our nation needs to grow during these difficult times. My platform is and will always be "In the Best Interests of ALL Oneida People." Our past leaders have done many good things for our nation. We are strong economically and need to maintain and provide for growth in our businesses. I believe we have a good foundation of services and that changes could be made to improve those services. I believe I have the gifts and talents that can move us forward to a new level of cooperation and coordination that will enhance our businesses and services and better meet the needs of our people.

First of all, if elected I will work to develop a formal policy to improve coordination and communication between the Tribal Business Committee and the General Tribal Council. I believe it is important to improve this relationship and to build trust and respect between the two main bodies of Tribal

Government for the benefit of all our tribal members.

If I am elected, I promise the GTC that "equality" will

be redefined for all T r i b a l a members. That means e q u a l opportunities for jobs, housing, vendors, and education. I have lived in this community all my life and believe that in order for the Tribe to be successful we must establish and encourage good working relationships with our neighbors, this includes tribal, municipal, town, county, and even the federal government.

I will pay attention to the needs of our Elders and Youth who represent our history and our future. In looking at the needs of our elders it is clear that we need to move forward with a new Nursing Home. In looking at our future we need to build leadership skills in our youth. In addition, for our youth who suffer from addiction and mental health issues I will look at the possibility of opening a Group Home or some other programming to meet their needs. I would like us to look at changing our constitution to allow 18 year olds to vote! I feel that we need their input.

We are a player in the economics of Northeastern Wisconsin. In light of gas prices and the recession in the larger society it will be important for us to look closely at our expenses and make smart choices about our budget.

In closing, if elected I will call for a complete "Audit and Financial Statement of the Oneida Nation." I intend on not only assessing our financial situation in order to address your concerns, but with your input plan for our future. Furthermore, I will put a freeze on all unnecessary spending, contracts, etc, until the OBC can report back to the GTC that the \$400.00 increase approved on May 10, 2008 can be paid out in FY 2009.

Vote for Lee Ninham!

Leyne Orosco

Hello, my name is Leyne Orosco and I want to be your Tribal Secretary.

I won't bore you with who I am related to as I don't believe you should vote for someone just because "he's my brother, he's my cousin or who you are related to". I believe that we should vote for the best qualified candidate that can get the job done.

I am a very outspoken person. I came close to being escorted out of a GTC



Lee Ninham

Meeting because I was too vocal. I am an assertive, hardworking individual who gets the job done. I have streamlined many an operation, not only in the 14 years I have worked for the Oneida Nation, but also in the 12 years I spent in the US Air Force and the 14 years I have worked for corporate America.

I have been in the Administrative field for 40 years, my last three years as Clerk of Court for the Oneida Appeals Commission.

I believe we need to get back to the basics. We need to see ourselves as shareholders in this corporation and start looking at the bottom line. We need to tell our leaders to stop bleeding this company and to work for OUR best interests, not who we are trying to impress or that we look good to the surrounding communities.

We need our managers to

b e c o m e m o r e accountable w h e n spending our money. Stop the frivolous spending. Stop buying items "just because we can". They need to rethink some of their decisions and ask themselves, "If this expense was coming out of my pocket, would I still pay for it?" In most cases I doubt that they would and that's exactly what we need them to do.

If elected I will strive to have everyone be accountable in every endeavor they undertake. I will start enforcing our laws and policies that we have enacted and develop new ones that will help us realize our potential as a corporation. Eventually we will all benefit as we will see the bottom line is in our favor and we can partake in those proceeds to make us a better Nation.
On July 5th go to the polls, whether in Oneida or Milwaukee, and vote for the candidate who you think will help this Nation for the future.

See Page 13A

Candidates

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on the Intranet!

Please Vote

Jennifer Webster

for
ONEIDA BUSINESS
COMMITTEE

"Accountability in Action"



EXPERIENCE

- Elected Two Terms on Oneida Appeals Commission (Currently Serving)
- Knowledge of Oneida Court System and Tribal Laws
- Experience in developing By-laws and Policies + Procedures
- Informed member of Oneida Community
- Unbiased and equal decision maker
- Leadership, Management and Communication skills
- Business Marketing and Promotion skills
- Vestry Member Holy Apostles Church
- Amvets Associate
- Successful Business owner "Web's Kustom Touch Auto Body"

EDUCATION

- Travelers World Omega - Certificate Program -Travel Agent Series
- University of Wisconsin- Oshkosh - Certificate Program - Small Business Management Marketing Management Series
- University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh - Certificate Program - Essentials of Management Oneida Tribal Management Program
- Certificate Training - Tribal Court Seminar
- Certificate Training - Conducting Fair Hearings, Due Process, Ex parte Communication
- Certificate Training-Roberts Rules of Order
- Certificate Training-Public Law 280 Jurisdiction in Indian Country

BACKGROUND

- **Family:** Husband Don Webster, Son's, Marcus & Zack, daughter Olivia
- **Parents:** Lee Gordon and Betty McLester
- **Grandparents:** Lee (deceased) and Pearl McLester, Ted and Mamie Benson (deceased)

Authorized and paid for by Jennifer Webster

★
Vote

I am excited to take an active role in making the interests of the newly revived GTC a reality with my visionary and organizational skills."

ANITA F.
BARBER

For... **VICE-CHAIR**

Education and experience working for you... the GTC

Master of Science in Organizational Leadership and Quality-Marian College

Bachelor of Arts ~ St. Norbert College

Coursework in Tribal Legal And Judicial Studies

30 years experience volunteering and working to improve the quality of life for all of us, the wonderful people of the Oneida Nation.

YOUR VOTE WILL NOT BE WASTED!

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Local

From Page 12A/ Candidates Mark Powless

Hello my name is Mark A. Powless Sr. I am a candidate seeking the office of Chairman. My parents are John and Lois Powless; my grandparents are Simon and Irene Moore, and Mark and Margret Powless. I have been married to the former Debra L. House for 29 years; we have two son's Mark Jr. and Joey Powless. Debra and I have main-



Mark Powless

tained a drug and alcohol free lifestyle for more than 30 years. If elected I bring a clean sober mind, with family values to the office of Chairman. I am a candidate for change and will work cooperatively with the nations organizational structure. Many difficult issues are pending before the nation. Who ever is elected will have to hit the ground running, the position of Tribal Chairman is not a training ground. I bring over 30 years of tribal experience to the position of Tribal Chairman. I was elected and served for three terms totaling nine years on the Oneida Business Committee. I served as the Chairman of the Land Committee, Chairman of the Oneida Tribal School Board, Chairman of Oneida Nations Electronics Board, Chairman of Oneida Cemetery Board. Served as chairman of the National Indian Task Force on Gaming on Indian Reservations. Served as the tribe's first certified paralegal advocate. I have been recognized as one of the Co-Founders of the National Indian Gaming Association. I served in the United States Marine Corps including a tour of duty in Vietnam with an honorable discharge. Accountability; I support the need for accountability. Accountability means building a strong Nation with an organizational structure committed to the highest standards, it requires fostering practices that create an environment of transparency, accountability, and integrity. Accountability reassures its members/employees of its commitment to upholding the public trust vital to earning trust, and respect in fulfilling the nations mission. I believe and support the concept of leading by example. State of the Nation; I propose the Oneida Business Committee conduct a six - month review/analysis of the nations organizational structure. I would propose the Oneida Business Committee address the future of the Oneida Nation by preparing a status report on the State of the Nation. Employment; I support the employment of tribal members and the upward mobility of the tribal member employee within the organizational structure of the Nation. Healthcare; I support the need for additional health care dollars to improve the delivery of health care services. Elders; I support the need for additional dollars to improve the services to our elderly. Village of Hobart; Most recently Hobart has challenged us in court concerning the status of land located within the original boundaries of the Oneida Reservation. We must be forever diligent in protecting the Nation from outside forces. We must be prepared to meet these challenges head on. I would propose a collective strategy using the expertise of

the many Indian Nations located throughout the country to address Hobart.

Dorothy Skenandore

Vote
Dorothy A. Skenandore
Vice Chair
Standing up for General Tribal Council with
Honesty and Integrity
Experience:
Oneida Election Board - Vice Chair
Oneida Election Board - Acting Chair
America's Dream Board of Directors - Executive Chair
Wisconsin Child Care Administrators-Association - Parliamentarian
Wisconsin Child Care Administrators Association - Legislative Committee
Employee Advocate - Representative (on personal time)
Early Education field 25+ years

What are the major issues the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin is currently facing?

Each issue is equally important and deserves our undivided attention.

- Protecting our sovereignty,
- Taking care of our Elders
- Taking care of our Children
- Improving communication and services to the Tribal Community.

Our Sovereignty: A few of our sovereignty rights are; Development our own government, determining our membership requirements, and determining how we utilize our land.

Government to government agreements need to embrace our sovereignty rights not erode them. We need to take a firm stand on tribal advocacy at the Supreme Court level that reaffirms our tribal jurisdiction to continue to protect our sovereignty.

Our elders: Ensuring that our elder's basic needs are being met. Are they in a safe, healthy environment? Ensuring that we providing ways for our elders to enjoy the quality of life that they deserve.

Our children: We need to focus on opportunities to involve our youth in activities outside of school time. Bring back those programs that support the whole child for a better stronger nation.

Our tribal community on and off the reservation:. Communicating honestly and effectively to and with General Tribal Council members is critical to a strong government. Services provided to our tribal community needs to be provided fairly and consistently, with a remedy process that allows tribal members to feel comfortable when utilizing it.

I support:

- Responsibility with Accountability.
- Increasing Oneida Language and Culture learning opportunities,
- Analyzing then approving expense requests, Positive change by effective decisions with the whole GTC in mind, and

• Financial and spending control.

Family Background:
Husband - LeRoy Skenandore, Daughters - Julie and Carol King

Parents: Rupert S. and Cecilia M. (Skenandore) Adams

Grand Parents: Sam and Viola Adams, John and Lillian Skenandore

Ron Summers

My name is Ron Summers, and I am a tribal elder and a candidate for the Oneida Business Committee.

I was born and raised in the Green Bay/Oneida area and currently live in the area. I have two grown daughters and five grandchildren. I served in the Navy for six years and today; I am a lifetime member of the Oneida AMVETS. I have owned and operated my own business and have worked for the tribe for 20 years. Currently, I am the Community Relations Coordinator for Gaming. Community Service

I have served the community in different aspects:
Amerindian Board of Directors

President of the Oneida Police Commission

Oneida Gang Task Force

Other boards and commissions

Goals

To help monitor the spending of tribal funds and ensure responsible spending along with accountability for decisions that are made. To ensure our elders and veterans receive any and all necessary care and programs that can enhance their lives. Maintain and expand in the areas of employment, education, social services, and health care. I will work for the General Tribal Council.

As Oneidas, we need to continue to be proud of who we are and where we come from. We need to remain



Ron Summers



The 2008 Market runs every Thursday from June 26 through October 9 from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Located at:
Oneida One Stop HWY 54
W180 HWY 54
Oneida

For more information in regards to the Oneida Farmer's Market please contact Stephanie Mineau at 920-496-5340 or Bill VerVoort at 920-869-4530



progressive in all areas of business and communication. I will work for the betterment of the Oneida membership and for the future of our next seven generations to come.

I am asking for your vote in 2008, to allow me the chance to be an active participant in our tribe's continued growth.

Jim Van Stippen

Hello, I am Jim Van Stippen I am asking for your vote, I am running for Tribal Treasurer. I am a Viet Nam Veteran. I have a Masters Degree in Business Structure and Organizational Behavior. I am a zoning and planning commissioner for the township of Buchanan. The Oneida Tribe has employed me for twenty years. I am a board member of the Oneida Seven Generations Corporation; I serve as the Chairman of the Radisson's Oneida Airport Hotel Corporation. I am a professionally Certified Auditor, a member of the Institute of Internal Control Auditors and a member of the Institute of Internal Auditors.

Some of the issues I would like to address are Affordable Housing we currently do not have enough homes readily available to meet present Tribal Member needs. Financial Responsibility is another issue that will require development of better budget controls. We spend our funds readily without concern for our future needs. Audit issues, like control of Tribal funds, spending and audit report follow up for compliance. Land and its uses, our acquisition plan 20/20 needs to be revised. A new plan needs to be developed that

accurately addresses our community's housing needs. Health care has an outstanding need for more Medical Professionals. We should look to our youth to become future medical professionals through a new educational program. Governmental Sovereignty our Nation's leadership needs to address the issues of our Gaming Compact, Local Service Agreements, and our Right to govern ourselves. Education has to have our continuous support for our youth to remain competitive in today's society. Economically, we are situated in such a geographical area where opportunities abound for us. We have to seek out these opportunities for developing business ventures while protecting our community, land, and our cultural heritage.

The treasurer serves as a tribal revenue manager, the treasurer remains custody of tribal funds and possesses responsibility for deposits, fund investments and disbursements of funds. The treasurer administers the tribe's financial resources to ensure the availability of adequate liquid assets to pay obligations, in addition, the treasurer serves a principal role concerning tribal loans, revenue, trust accounts, and superintends tribal budgeting practices. The treasurer should regularly advise elected officials, tribal managers, finance committee members and the General Tribal



Jim Van Stippen

Council regarding the financial condition of the tribe, through factual information upon which appropriations and budgeting decisions can be made.

We as descendants of the Oneida Iroquois People should reconsider our Tribe's goals and objectives. We cannot survive as a society divided by the attitude of me, myself, and I. We need to come together and change direction and become a society with the new attitude of we, us, and ours. Our Nation's history speaks of our Iroquois ancestry. Our people excelled in hard work, cooperation, expression of ideas, and fortitude. In order to strengthen our resolve for change we should reflect upon our ancestral heritage working together for the next Seven Generations. In closing I again ask for you support and vote on July 5.

Open Gym
Tuesdays and Thursdays
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Turtle School Gym
June 17–July 31

Everybody is Welcome

Get ready for the Indigenous Games



What is special about the Oneida Farmers' Market?

The Oneida Falling Leaves 4-H brat booth is always open for the Farmer's Market. Serving from 11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Oneida Farmer's Market Bash

Each year we have two bashes, the first will be on July 17th and the second is on August 14th.

- * Live Music
- * Door Prizes
- * Raffles
- * Kid chalk drawing contest
- * Games and prizes
- * Cooking Demonstrations



Oneida Farmer's Market Dollars



'07 Market Dollars will not be accepted in the '08 season

Please patronize the following locations to receive your free Oneida Farmer's Market Dollars:

Oneida Apple Orchard
tsyunhehkwa Retail
Oneida Nation Farm
Oneida Food Distribution Center

Oneida Farmer's Market Dollars will be available during the Market season June 26 through October 9

Come Check Us Out!

Local

SEMI-ANNUAL AGENDA

Monday, July 7, 6:00pm, registration begins at 4:00pm
Radisson Hotel Three Clans Ballroom

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|--|--|--|---|
| I. Opening | 22, 2008 | circulators | Insurance Plan-Plus,
Susan White, Trust
Department Director |
| II. Announcements | c. Per Capita Petition | c. Regarding land lease
request by Horses of
Oneida's Future, Judy
Cornelius, petitioner | VIII. Adopt the Semi-
Annual Report |
| III. Call the Meeting to
Order | VI. Petitions | VII. New Business | a. Tribal Treasurer's
FY2008 semi-annual
report |
| IV. Adoption of Agenda | a. Regarding the Gaming
Management Incentive
Plan, Linda S. Dallas,
petition circulator | a. 2007 comprehensive
annual financial audit
report, McGladrey &
Pullen external auditors | b. Presentation by
Management |
| a. Request to allow
McGladrey & Pullen
external auditors
to attend the meeting. | b. To present a proposal for
an independent outside
audit and legal counsel
to represent the Oneida
General Tribal Council
with regard to the inde-
pendent outside audit,
Linda S. Dallas and
Mike Debraska, petition | b. Proposed Administrative
Procedures Act and
Judiciary Act Report,
Vince DelaRosa, LOC
Chairman | XI. Adjourn |
| V. GTC minutes to be
approved | | c. Adopt the Oneida Life | |
| a. 2008 Annual meeting:
January 26, 2008
February 9, 2008 | | | Questions? Call the Tribal
Secretary's Office at: (920)
869-4475 or (800) 236-
2214, ext. 4475 |
| b. Office of the GTC
Proposal Report March | | | |

SPECIAL GENERAL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

Purpose: Ratification of Land
Acquisition

Date: Saturday, June 28, 2008

Location: Oneida Elementary
(Turtle) School
Gymnasium

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

36TH ANNUAL Oneida Pow-Wow

**JULY 4-6, 2008 • NORBERT HILL
CENTER POW-WOW GROUNDS**
5 Miles west of Green Bay on Hwy. 54



HOST DRUM
Midnite Express

MASTER OF CEREMONIES
Keveon Kingbird-Redby, MN

CO-MASTER OF CEREMONIES
Artley Skenandore-Oneida, WI

HEAD DRUM JUDGE
Sidrick Baker-New Town, ND

HEAD MALE DANCE JUDGE
Ron GoodEagle Sr.-Flandreau, SD

HEAD FEMALE DANCE JUDGE
Sandy Harris-Apache, OK

ARENA DIRECTOR
Gabe Derosiers-Browns Valley, MN

CO-ARENA DIRECTOR
Joey Summers-Green Bay, WI

SMOKE DANCE SINGER
Lo:tat Honyust-Ontario, Canada

Admission
 Weekend Pass \$10.00
 Daily Pass \$5.00
 60 yrs. & older FREE
 10 yrs. & younger FREE
 Dancers/Singers \$5.00

Grand Entries
 Fri., July 4 7pm
 Sat., July 5 1pm & 7pm
 Sun., July 6 12 Noon

Registration
 Fri., July 4 5pm-7pm
 Sat., July 5 9am-12:45pm

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**OVER \$57,000
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HAND DRUM SPECIAL**
 1st-\$700, 2nd-\$600, 3rd-\$500
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**GOLDEN AGE MEN'S 65 & OVER
TRADITIONAL SPECIAL**
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NO CANOPIES ALLOWED BETWEEN BOOTHS AND DANCE ARENA
 For more information, call the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee at 920-496-7897.
 Reserve your spot 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.

PROUD SPONSORS:



6th Annual Oneida Days

June 27

Tobacco Burning & Flag Raising
8:00 AM
Norbert Hill Center by flag poles

Oneida Elderly Services Annual Rummage

Supports:
Roberta Kinzhuma Scholarship Award
Friday, June 27 • 10AM - 2PM
Former Tower Foods Rummage, Car Wash, 50/50 Raffle & Food
Contact: Claudia Skenandore 920-869-2448

June 27-29

MVP's 6th Annual Coed Softball Tourney
Contact: Geno Danforth 920-869-1362

June 28

Commandos vs Rangers
Baseball Game
Noon @ Small diamond in Oneida
Fundraiser for Indigenous Games
Scott Murray 929-490-3730

June 28

Ridgeview Plaza Open House
10:00AM - 2:00PM
Sale Items, Food, Raffles, Live Music and MORE!
Contact:
Raeann Skenandore 920-497-5821, Sylvia Cornelius-Waupoose 920-496-5352, or Laura Manthe 920-496-5360

June 29

Charlie Hill Show
6-9 PM • Radisson • \$10
Fundraiser for Indigenous Games
Scott Murray 920-490-3730

July 3

7th Annual Oneida Farmer's Market
2-6 PM
HWY 54 Oneida One Stop
Contact: Bill VerVoort 920-869-4530

Oneida Museum's 11th Annual Cultural Festival

Thursday July 3
Museum Grounds-W892 County Rd EE
Contact: Sue Peterson
Fax 920-869-2959
speterso@oneidanation.org
Ph. 920-869-6539

July 3-5

First Nations Golf Association
Oneida Warriors
Championship Golf Tournament
Pro Purse: \$20,000
Entry Fee: \$350 (per person)
Entry Deadline: June 22nd
Open to Professional/Amateur Native Golfers Only
Contact: 920-713-8363 or lking1@oneidanation.org
Crystal Springs Golf Course, Seymour, WI

July 4-5

Oneida 4th of July Golf Championship
Two Person Scramble
Entry Fee: \$250 (per team)
Price includes two rounds of golf with cart
Entry Deadline: June 22nd
Open to Natives and Non-Native Golfers
Contacts:
Leroy King 920-713-8363 or lking1@oneidanation.org
Crystal Springs Golf Course, Seymour WI

July 4-6

2nd Woodland Indian Art Show and Market
Radisson - FREE Admission
920-499-7875
Friday July 4 • 8AM- 4 PM
Saturday July 5 • 8AM- 4 PM
Sunday July 6 • 8AM - Noon

July 4-6

36th Annual Oneida Pow Wow
NHC Grounds
Oneida Pow Wow Committee
920-496-7897
Admission:
Weekend Pass \$10,
Daily Pass \$5,
60 and Over & 10 and Under FREE
Dancers/Singers \$5

July 5

Annual Oneida Parade
Theme: "At the Box Office"
Show off your favorite G / PG movie
10:30 AM
Contact: Tami or Tonya 920-496-7897
FAX 920-496-7893

For additional Info contact:
Lloyd E. Powless Jr
at 920-869-4517
Fax: 920-869-1610
lpowless@oneidanation.org

Employee Night at Oneida Bingo

Submitted by Mark W. Powless, Bingo Director

On Thursday, July 3, Oneida Bingo will open its doors for a night of Bingo limited solely to Oneida Tribal employees!

The employee session will be like no other. Entry and extra packs will cost \$10. The packs may be played on paper or on the Planet Bingo electronic units (no minimum purchase required to play electronic units). Extra games, like JumbOneida, will be available for sale as well.

The session will feature payouts of \$200, \$300, \$500, and \$1,000, plus a \$5,000 Blackout! To take the excitement to the next level, a Wild Ball will be added to the hopper for all \$200 games. If the Wild Ball pops up, the payout will increase to \$400 for that game.

In addition, Oneida Bingo will "Make it F.U.N!" by recognizing special employee accomplishments, offering drawings for \$25 Bingo Passes, and holding a donut eating contest. The donut eating contest will be limited to the first 10 entrants. The par-

ticipant to eat the most donuts will receive \$99 plus donut-eating-champ bragging rights. If you feel up to the challenge, please contact Mark W. Powless, Bingo/OTB Director, via groupwise or at extension 3413.

Session sales will begin Thursday, July 3 at 9:30PM. Games will begin at 10:30PM.

Here are a few rules regarding Employee Bingo:

- Any employee playing the session must present their employee badge in order to buy-in for the session.
- Employees prohibited from playing regular Bingo sessions may not play the employee Bingo sessions.
- Employees must be completely out of their work uniform.
- Employees are not eligible to win any jackpots associated with games played at existing Bingo sessions.
- Employees may not receive promotional comps or prizes valued at \$100 or more.

Creating Successful Partnerships for a Brighter Tomorrow!

SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIPS



Oneida Casino is dedicated to supporting Green Bay and our surrounding communities through successful partnerships with area charities and businesses.

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Support local communities by volunteering your time and your heart.



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Environmental

Yukwane Kánus (Our Waters)

By Stacey Gilmore

Water Source Specialist

From the slow, dark waters of Dutchman Creek to the fast, crystal clear waters of Thornberry Creek, the waters of the Oneida Reservation are precious and deserve our attention.

Try living without water for a day. Bet you can't. Even if you don't drink it, water was used to grow the food you eat and the cotton that your clothes are made of, in energy production, and even in the production of your car (32,000 gallons of water for just the steel of one car).

The Great Lakes Water Compact, which Wisconsin recently signed, states that the waters of the Great Lakes Basin are precious, public, interconnected, serve many uses, and of vital importance. All of us living in the Great Lakes Basin already knew all of that. However, the last finding is something that we all often forget; that we all share the duty to protect, conserve, restore, improve, and manage our waters.

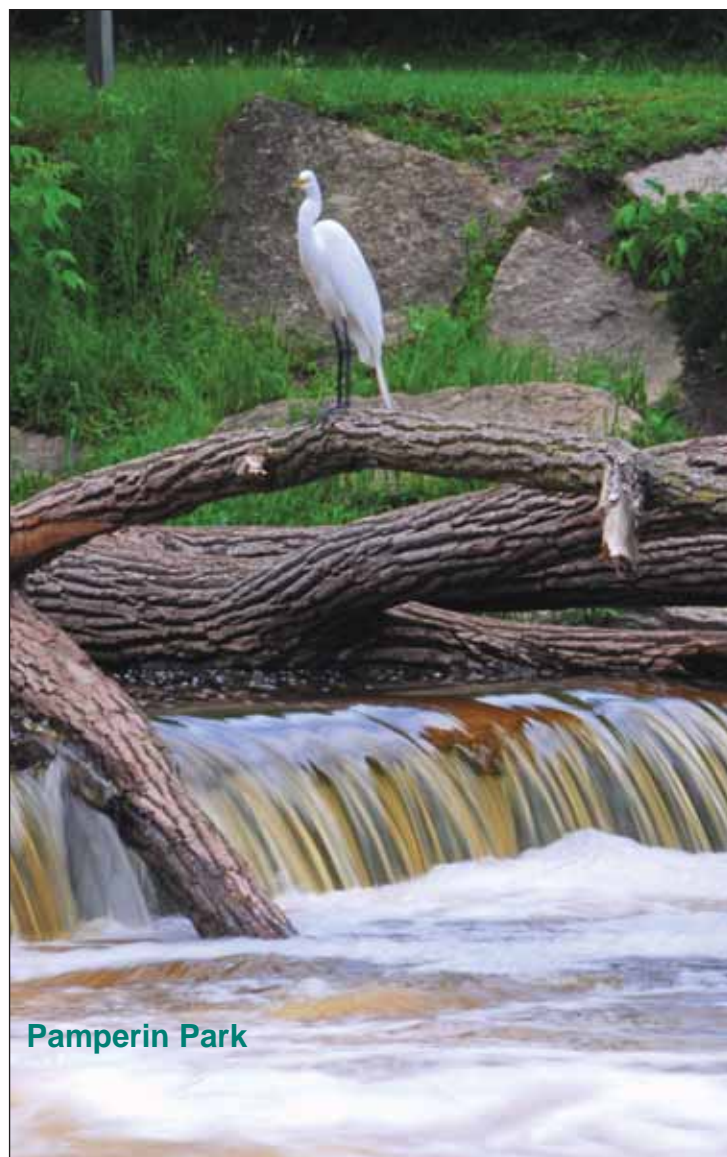
I often assume that everyone knows how to protect

water. However, I was brought back to reality last week when I observed a business near my home running its sprinklers on a weedless lawn every time it rained. This practice wastes water and increases pollution runoff into the streams.

There ARE simple things we can all do to protect our water! We've all heard that we should use water saving faucets, and only do full loads of laundry (right?). You can go to www.h2oconserve.org to find out what your "water footprint" is, and things that you can do to become a better steward of our water.

I will have additional information on reducing our "water footprints" at the Ridgeview Plaza Open House on June 28 (See the flier on this page), and leading a short workshop on building your own rain barrel at 1:30 P.M. I will also be gauging interest for future workshops and classes.

If you have a specific interest, please call or email me sgilmore@oneidanation.org or 920-496-5325.



Pamperin Park

Kali photo/Steven J. Gandy

Where's the fry bread?

By Ana Barton

Eco Services

Hope everyone had a good time at the family carnival last weekend! I was helping a friend with her food stand that featured indigenous foods and we were continuously asked "Where's the fry bread?" Certainly that's Indian! Is it? We all love to eat it but did Oneidas eat fry bread pre-colonization? No. Traditionally Oneidas ate wild game like deer, corn, beans, squash, berries, and wild herbs and roots. Oneidas learned to plant oats and wheat from neighboring farmers in New York.

The removal of Oneidas from the homelands in New York to Wisconsin began in 1823 and lasted until 1841. The family groups that came brought many seeds but were unable to plant their first year. They simply did not have time to clear the forest and build a home and plant crops. It was then that they addressed the United States Department of War (as Congress was then

called) to "send food as promised. Our children and wives are starving." (according to Loretta Metoxen at Cultural Heritage). It was then that the US government sent flour, peas, beans, and rice. Not too tasty eh? Amazingly, out of this was born "fry bread".

What were once lean, fit examples of health became overweight, some obese, with chronic conditions like diabetes and heart disease. How are they related? Well most people don't know that diabetes does not come from eating sugar. Research suggests that an increased risk of diabetes is directly linked to the amount of body fat one has in addition to lifestyle behaviors such as inactivity.

Our ancestors worked all their lives. They had to hunt and grow or forage for food. They had to make their own dishes and wash them. They had to make their own clothes and wash those too. Imagine chopping wood for the winter...that's a lot of chopping!

So what's fry bread? Well, first let's start with the flour. It's degerminated (this is where the germ-the nutritious part-has been removed) and most likely bleached. The USDA's Recommended Daily Allowance (RDA) recommends that one half of all grains consumed be whole grains. Next it's made by deep frying it. Now it's laden with fat. So what can we do about this? Certainly I'm not suggesting you stop eating fry bread....but you could share one piece instead of having several. Try some healthier foods like wild rice or corn soup. And let's not forget, our ancestors were fit because their lives were work. Imagine not having a dishwasher or washing machine. How would you like to haul water from the creek? All of these had to be done by hand. So try going for a walk or plant a garden. You'll get some exercise, fresh air and healthy food out of it!

Project Update

Oneida Fishery Restoration

By Betsy Galbraith

Environmental Multi-Media Specialist

Dump trucks have been hauling fill material from the future lake site located at Crook Road and County U for tribal projects. The fill has been used for manure pit closures and on farm demolition sites. Only fill material from existing stockpiles is being used for tribal projects at this time.

As you probably remember, design and planning for the Oneida Fishery Restoration Project was completed in the fall of 2007. This wrapped up Phase I of the project. Phase II— construction of the lake— will occur when funding is secured. The Capital Improvement Project (CIP #06-006 – Oneida Lake) was approved by the Oneida



Business Committee on February 6, 2008 with the condition that it be funded by external sources. We are still pursuing grants to fund Phase II.

Please stop by or give me a call if you would like to review the reports or drawings for the project. Contact Betsy Galbraith at Ridgeview Plaza by calling 920-496-5327.

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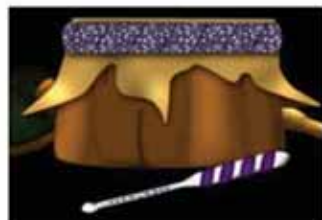
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Education

New Faces at Oneida Higher Education

Nicole Strobants

Hi! My name is Nicole Strobants. I am a member of the Oneida Nation and the new Higher Education advisor, replacing Donna Gee who recently retired. I received my Bachelor's in Community Education (Urban Education) from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) and anticipate receiving my Master's in Administrative Leadership (Higher Education) from UWM in Fall 2008. I enjoy spending time with family and friends, dabbling in the Arts, experiencing different cultures, meeting new people, and learning new things. I also try to be a strong advocate for change when it comes to issues pertaining to social justice and believe higher education is a gateway into a better quality of life for many people. Achieving a higher education can not only have a significant impact in your own personal life, it can also have a tremendous affect on the

people closest to you and your community. If you're interested in learning more about how achieving a higher education has the potential to change your life, or about Oneida's Higher Education Grant, feel free to stop in and see me in the Oneida Higher Education Department. Also, please stop by if you're already familiar with our services and you just want to meet someone new or receive some fresh advice. You can reach me via email (nstrooba@oneidanation.org) or phone (920)869-4332. Hope to see you soon! Yaw^ko!

Mandy Schneider

Hello! I am your new Higher Education Advisor and I am glad to be here.

My name is Mandy Schneider, I started my new position December 31, 2007-replacing Joan Neville who retired.

I have worked for the Oneida Tribe for three years. My first position was with the Oneida Recreation depart-



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Nicole Strobants, left, and Mandy Schneider are ready to help Oneida members seeking a degree.

ment working in the Education and personal growth area. I loved it! I was able to get to know a large portion of the Oneida youth and hope that I instilled the importance of education to them.

My switch to the Higher Education comes from my passion for education. I have a bachelor's in Human Development, Sociology, and Psychology from the University of Wisconsin,

Green Bay; and I am working on my masters in Higher Education Counseling from Lakeland College.

I love being able to advocate for our students, and help them with all aspects of the road to higher education; such as, interest inventories, career planning, applying to college and the financial aspects. You can reach me at mschnei2@oneidanation.org or phone (920)869-4349.

STEM Scholars Program from CMN

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Scholars is a program in which the College of Menominee Nation (CMN) selects a group of students to take a pre-determined set of courses together. This program is open to new students enrolled in STEM majors (Biological Science, Computer Science, Micro Computer Specialist, Math, Natural Resources, and Sustainable Development). Our last cohort of students spent two semesters together taking the same classes. Our goal is to help the scholars build relationships while supporting each other in the learning process. Please note that this program is hosted at

the CMN Main Campus – Keshena only! Green Bay site students can apply but will have to commute to the Main Campus in Keshena for their coursework. Also, Stipend Funding is available for this program!

Eligibility/Process:

- Accuplacer Scores fall within a specific range
- Enrolled in a STEM related program
- List of coursework previously taken with grades
- Admission complete with CMN
- Invitation to eligible candidates
- Open Informational meeting with Alpha
- Application, essay, and interview

- Commitment to schedule set by STEM program
- CMN team chooses applicants

Stipend Information:

Students who miss no more than three classes per month (including all courses) are eligible to receive a stipend (amount to be determined) per month during the semester term.

Eligible Students will be contacted regarding the interview process by: August 8, 2008

Selected participants for the STEM program will be notified by: August 14, 2008

Please note that once accepted as a STEM scholar, you will be committing to taking coursework from

Monday to Thursday; 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. approximately at the CMN Main Campus – Keshena. (No Friday classes!)

Please note only twenty students will be selected. If you are interested, please contact Becky Zimdars, M.S., NSF Academic Advisor OR

Alpha Creapeau, Director of Dev/Prep Program

Department of Student Services, CMN Faculty, CMN, P.O. Box 1179 Keshena, Wisconsin 54135

Phone: (715) 799-5600 Ext. #3021

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Scholarship Opportunities

NCAI Youth Ambassador Leadership

Applications for the 2008 NCAI Youth Ambassador Leadership Program are now available.

The YALP is a scholarship program open to males and females aged 17-25. The Ambassadors, one male and one female, serve a two-year term representing and promoting NCAI and the NCAI Youth Commission and aiding the NCAI Youth Commission leadership in its meetings and functions when requested.

Ambassadors are chosen every two years at the NCAI Annual Convention. Anyone may apply who is eligible for NCAI membership according to the NCAI Constitution, has support from their tribal council, and is a full time student at the high school, college, or graduate level.

Each Ambassador will receive a \$2,500 scholarship to be paid directly to their academic institution.

To apply to be an NCAI Youth Ambassador, please visit the NCAI Youth webpage <http://www.ncai.org/> or fill out the NCAI Youth Ambassador Leadership Program Application <http://www.ncai.org/ncai/youth/doc/2008_YALP_Application.pdf>.

Applications must be received by August 1, 2008 and must be complete in order to be considered. For any questions, please contact our office at **(202) 466-7767**.

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Trust Scholarship

The Oneida Trust Scholarship was established as a financial resource to assist eligible enrolled Oneida Tribal members in securing higher education opportunities.

The Trust Scholarship is targeted to applicants who are in need of fulfilling college entrance requirements in order to become official accepted into an accredited post-secondary education institution.

The scholarship can assist with: Required prerequisite credited classes, post-graduate preparation and admission exams, such as the GRE, GMAT, LSAT or related preparatory course work.

The Trust Committee respectfully request that all recipients of this scholarship keep in mind the prospect of returning to the Oneida Tribe to share their acquired knowledge, experience, and education.

Applicants must be an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, be in academic good standing (2.0 grade point average for undergraduates and 3.0 for graduate students).

The Trust Scholarship is a one-time scholarship up to \$2,500.

For an application, contact the Higher Education Office at 920-869-4033 or 800-236-2214 x 4033.

Open Forum for all Candidates

The College of Menominee Nation (CMN)-Green Bay campus is open and available for political debates, forums and fundraisers. All candidates are welcome to use the school facilities at no cost. There is ample parking. Please call for more information to schedule a function **(920) 965-4000**.

Marian University's John Reilly Education Program features...

Building Inquiring Minds Around Classroom Texts

FOND DU LAC, Wis. – Marian University's School of Education will hold its sixth annual John Reilly Education Program in Marian's Stayer Center for Technology & Executive Learning Aug. 18-19 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

The two-day program,

"Building Inquiring Minds Around Classroom Texts," is designed for educators. It will show how the act of reading will result in meaningful ends for students, and outline how a rich vein of instructional strategies can help students rely upon their own questions to mold their comprehension

and guide their learning.

The featured presenter is Doug Buehl, a reading specialist in the Madison Metropolitan School District and a teacher at Madison East High School. He is the author of "Classroom Strategies for Interactive Learning," and co-author of "Reading and the

High School Student." With more than 30 years of experience in high school teaching and reading programs, Buehl is recognized as a leader in the field of literacy and interactive learning in PK-12 education, particularly at the high school level.

After engaging in this workshop, attendees are invited to participate in one or both of the follow-up one-credit courses through Marian University's Professional Development Institute at \$200 per credit.

Graduate credit instruction will be held Aug. 18-19 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., and the second optional graduate credit instructional program will be held Sept. 19-20.

The John Reilly Education Program is named in memory of John Reilly, a Fond du Lac County businessman for 40 years, who had more than 20 members of his family pursue careers in education. To date, the funds from the John Reilly Foundation have secured speakers such as authors Peggy Deitz Shea and YuYi Morales, Eric Jensen, Ian Jukes and Dr. Robert Marzano.

Reservations must be made in advance to Brenda Moss at bsmoss55@marianuniversity.edu or (920) 923-8095 by **July 15**.



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Lessons from Journalism Class

by John Callahan
ONHS junior
This year in Journalism has been awesome, man. I couldn't ask for anything else. It has been interesting year in this class working on "Thunderhawk Times."
We have had good moments and other moments, but, most of the time, good.
We have a class of all comedians and all a unique in their own way. But all are funny and different.
I love to hang out in this class and do work. It's really cool to know that I can slow down and do my work. You know, just switch to cruise. No more hustle and bustle. Just time and lots of it.
Most of all, we learned to trust and rely on fellow class mates. It's brought us closer together.

A look at Ces Dawson

By Louis Guerra
ONHS junior
Ces Dawson is one of the new ONHS teachers this year. She grew up in Rhinelander, WI. She now lives in Denmark, on her farm.
After growing up in Rhinelander, she got her bachelor's degree in health, physical education, and biology. She has a master's degree in community human services, and she is a licensed athletic trainer and a registered dietitian. She worked as head athletic trainer and lecturer at UWGB for 17 years.
Ces has a lot of hobbies, interests, and experiences in life. She has owned a coffee shop and worked on cars. She loves animals and staying in her cabin in the woods. And...much more! She also



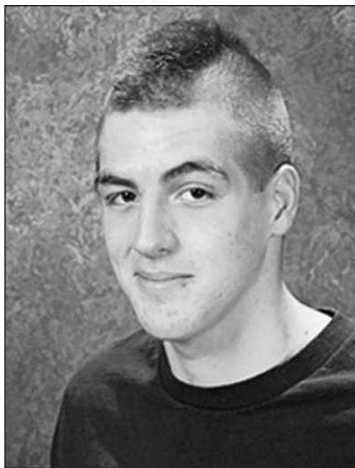
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ONHS Senior Frank Clary has goals

by Randall Danforth
ONHS graduating senior
What are Frank Clary's goals for his summer before he makes his journey off to college? He has a lot of them.
Frank says his number one goal for the summer is to "get built like a ox." He wants to get strong so he can make the football team at UW-Oshkosh, which is where he is going to college. Frank plays tight end and linebacker.
He says his second goal is to make dog houses and donate them to the Humane

Society where they have a lot of homeless dogs. I think he is serious about this.
He says his third goal is to "get back into the studio and make some gangster music" and then sell it out of the trunk of his car and make lots of



ONHS Senior Frank Clary

dough.
He also wants to go sky diving and play lacrosse.
Most definitely, he said, he wants to get plenty of fishing and roller blading in.
Then, he will be on his way to college.



ONHS Student - Athlete Luanne Funmaker

raises chickens at her home. She now has two teenage sons.
After all that, she was looking for a new job. She saw the opening here at Oneida and thought, "This is perfect!" She wanted to work with Native kids and do something involving physical activity. What a perfect match!
Ces has a lot of different experiences and advice to pass on to students. This helps her be an excellent teacher.
I asked her how she likes it teaching at Oneida for the first year, she said "I love the relaxed culture. I enjoy coming to work and being involved in Oneida culture everyday."
All of the students look forward to her staying here in the coming years.

What it takes to make MVP

By Thunderhawk Times staff
Senior Luanne Funmaker has ended her four-year ONHS sports career with some remarkable accomplishments, earning three MVP awards in the process.
The awards are Co-MVP in volleyball, MVP in basketball, and MVP in track and field.
Along with her three MVP awards, she also holds five track and field school records: the 200m dash, run in 31.18; the 400m dash, run in 1:08.6; the 800m, run in 2:49; the mile, run in 6:25; and the triple jump record at 27' 7 1/4".
Luanne said that she owes her success to "being in the gym when everyone else was

gone and working out when no one else would."
Luanne said that during the past few summers, she chose to be in the gym working out. "Although I would have enjoyed some company," said Luanne, "I could concentrate more on what I was doing without a distraction. Although it was a struggle at times, and I didn't want to go to practice every once in awhile, I stuck it out."
She added that "As long as I look back on my high school career, I can be proud of my accomplishments!"



Tell Me Something I Don't Know

By John Callahan
ONHS junior, and Thunderhawk Times staff
The high gas prices have got a lot of people scrambling, especially high school students with part-time incomes.
More and more people are starting to "go green" when it comes to their cars.
Hybrid cars have become popular, but how quick a solution to the problem are they? Not very!
There is a one-month waiting period for a Toyota Prius.

You cannot find a Prius in any Toyota parking lot. They have been snatched up. Anything "hybrid" is getting sold quickly as gas prices continues to rocket up and people look for another way to get by. People have gotten sick and tired of the ridiculous amount money they pay for gas. So, many have said "enough is enough" and switched their cars.
The demand for SUVs is at an all-time low.
People are looking at the more eco-friendly cars.

Besides the Prius, Honda and Lexus are marketing hybrids. But, for now, it's Toyota that is ahead and sold out.
Alternative fuels are also being used. For instance, you can take any diesel car or truck and convert it to run off vegetable oil. You could save a lot of money this way. There are websites dedicated to this very thing. Several even sell kits for converting your car.

Green festival in the Windy City

By RaeAnne Funmaker
ONHS graduating senior and "Thunderhawk Times" editor
Around May 18 and 19, I took a spiffy little trip to Chicago. I was able to check out a green festival while I was there and I had a grand ol' time.
At the Green Festival, they had all different types of organic foods and drinks. All the containers the food was put in was recyclable. A lot of the clothes were made out of bamboo or hemp.

I was also able to snatch up a nifty little hand bag made out of recycled juice boxes. A very fashionable purse for my niece.
There were also a very diverse group of people who attended. It felt good to see so many different people gathering for a good cause.
There was also a lot of information and resources there that the tribe could take advantage of.
I had a lot of fun attending

the green festival and I also gained some very useful knowledge.



My Scoop

Off to Madison

By RaeAnne Funmaker
ONHS graduating senior and "Thunderhawk Times" editor
I am off on the adventure of my life. I am leaving in the fall to attend UW-Madison.
Like most other seniors, I'm getting ready to graduate and preparing for college.
Although some people think that Oneida Nation High is deficient compared to some other schools, they are very much mistaken. I have always attended a small school, but I'm prepared to succeed at Madison.
It's all about how hard a person is willing to work to accomplish their goals. I have all the resources I need to prevail and have had some wonderful guidance, help, support, and so much more from the people at Oneida Nation High.
I love being able to speak my language, know my traditions, and culture. I wouldn't change it for the world.

Annual Oneida Powwow

By Ashley Ninham
ONHS graduating senior, and Thunderhawk Times staff
This year the 36th Annual Oneida Nation Powwow is coming up quick. The date is set for Friday, July 4 to Sunday, July 6.
Grand Entry starts at 7 p.m. that Friday, but before all of that starts they will be having Lil Miss tryouts and will picking Lil Miss during that day. Then, whoever gets crowned, will be joining the newly-crowned Miss and Jr. Miss Oneida in that Grand Entry.
For all you dancers, competition begins Friday at 7 p.m. If you are not dancing or singing, just come and enjoy the powwow, dancers, and food.
ONHS students will be represented at the powwow.

Seniors Yasiman Metoxen, Neset Vega, and Ashley Ninham will be competing. So will junior Paul Gutierrez who will participate in grass dance, hand drum, and singing.
"It's gonna be hot," said Paul. "I think it's gonna be fun. Hot, as usual, though."
Here are all the details you need.
Admission Grand Entries:
Weekend Pass - \$10.00
Fri., July 4th, 7pm
Daily Pass - \$5.00 Sat., July 5th 1pm & 7pm
60 years and over - FREE
Sun., July 6th 12 Noon
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Dancers & Singers - \$5.00
Registration:
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Sat. July 5th, 9:30am to 12:45pm

Three day weekends!

By Racheal Ninham
ONHS graduating senior
How about it? Only 4-Day School Weeks sounds like my kind of plan. Many school districts are considering this as a way to cut costs, especially transportation costs.
I think this would work. Five days of school is just way too long, especially being a senior.
But the thing really is that it would save our school major money. We wouldn't be

using the buses and having to cook food. We'd even save on electricity and we could even use that money for different classes like home ec, or automotive, and fun classes like that.
In my opinion, our school really needs a different variety like that and I think we would become a big hit with students. Maybe we would get more people to attend our school.

Finished Family Collage

By Brittany Bateman
ONHS graduating senior
For the second semester, I was placed in an advanced art class that had to do with painting, making blankets and pillows, and much, much more. This was in addition to the whole regular coloring phase.
The assignment that I picked was to do a "family collage" and turn it into a blanket. With my great-thinking, powerful mind, I put the pictures in the shape of a diamond or - as some would say - the "Superman Shape."
On the outside, I put ribbon

and some silver, squiggly bond on it.
For the blanket part, I used an aqua color and a sea-blue color sheer sheet.
I then put these two things together with stuffing.
For pictures, I selected the Skenandore family.
I've received lots of comments on the blanket, like "It must have taken so long and it's really beautiful." It almost made my mom cry when she saw it.
If I had to make another blanket like this, I would definitely do it again.

Local

Honor the Elders Annual Luncheon



Kali photos/Dawn Walschinski

Oneida held its seventh Honor the Elders Luncheon Thursday, June 6 at the Radisson Inn Three Clans Ballroom. Approximately 500 people attended the event. Top left: Simon DeCoteau, right, helps Reggie Baird with his bingo card. Center: Mildred Elm, right, and granddaughter Bobbie Capasso celebrated Mildred's 102nd birthday at the event with family and friends. Far right: Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle made a surprise visit to the event.



BBBS rolls out new summer fun

Playing football in the park, working on that perfect golf stroke and attending professional sporting events are just a few ways that you could impact the life of a child from Oneida.

Big Brothers Big Sisters is pleased to announce the kick-off of their new Sports Buddies program geared towards matching Big Brothers to Little Brothers. Whether it is training for the upcoming season, or watching the professionals play, Sports Buddies Bigs and Littles meet at least twice a month to participate in a sports-related activity. Big Brothers Big Sisters sponsors two events each month, ranging from watching Bullfrogs games to participating in weight lifting, and everything in between. All tickets and equipment are supplied; all you need is the desire to make an impact on the life of a youth in your community. For a six month minimum commitment, you could help reduce school truancy and drug use while making a positive impact on the world.

"We have seen a significant increase in the amount of youth from Oneida signing up for the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. Currently there are 13 children eagerly looking for a Big Brother, Big Sister or Big Couple to spend time with. The majority of these are Little Brothers. These children tend to wait for a Big longer since there are not as many volunteers signing up for the program from the Oneida area. We are hoping the word will spread throughout the community so we can get all 13 youth paired with a mentor by the end of the summer," states Sara Karcz, marketing and partnership coordinator with Big Brothers Big Sisters.

For those volunteers not interested in sports, there is also the traditional Community-based Program where Bigs meet with their Littles weekly and do everyday activities in the community. To volunteer for either program, applicants must be at least 16 years of age. (There is no age limit.) Big Brothers Big Sisters screens each volunteer by doing background checks, reference checks and conducting an interview. The professionals at Big Brothers Big Sisters ensure that going through the enrollment process is convenient to fit the volunteers' needs. After being matched with a Little Brother or Little Sister, a match support specialist will call once a month to check in and see how things are going. Volunteer training is offered on an ongoing basis.

It doesn't take a professional athlete to be a "Big" Sports Buddy, or a child expert to be a community-based "Big", it simply requires a big heart and the ability to be a friend. Being a "Big" is about sharing simple, magical moments with a child to help open their doors and widen their horizons. Your life doesn't need to drastically change to have a huge impact on a child's life.

To learn more about becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister, contact Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern Wisconsin at (920)498-2227 or visit www.bbbsnew.org.

VOTE Brandon STEVENS for Oneida Business Committee

Greetings Oneida Nation members:

I am respectfully requesting your support and vote for the position of Council Member on the Oneida Business Committee. I have gained valuable knowledge and experience during my education and internships within our tribal government and feel qualified to ask for your support to build upon our success and continue to strengthen the government of the Oneida Nation.

I am married to TeAta (DeCorah) Stevens. Her grandparents are Rhea DeCorah and the late Robert DeCorah. Her mother is the late Patricia DeCorah. TeAta and I have three children: Nyah, Patricia, and Brandon Jr.

My Parents are Cheryl (Metoxen) Stevens and Ernie Stevens, Jr. I have four siblings: Ernie III, Margaret, Maria, and Lois. I also have three nieces and two nephews. My grandparents are Marjorie (Powless) Stevens and Ernie Stevens Sr. and my great grandmother is Maria Hinton. On my mother's side are Lois Metoxen and the late Joseph Metoxen.

I am proud that I come from a family tradition of community service and tribal involvement, however, if I am elected I want it to be on my own merits: education, experience, and accomplishments. It is important though that I acknowledge them for the love, support, and encouragement that they have given me.

EDUCATION:

- **Lakeland College**
Masters of Business Administration
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Emphasis: Project Management
- **Haskell Indian Nations University**
August 2004-May 2007
Bachelors of Science-Business Administration
Emphasis: Tribal Management
Coursework in Indian Law & Legislation, Tribal and Federal Government Relations, Fundamentals of Sovereignty, and Legal Environment of Business I&II - Cum Laude
- President's Honor Roll-Spring 2007
- Dean's Honor Roll-Spring 2005, Fall 2005
- **United Tribes Technical College**
August 2002-May 2004
- Associates of Applied Science
- Computer Information Systems

- President's Honor Roll - Fall 2002, Summer 2003, Fall 2003
- Vice-President's Honor Roll - Spring 2004
- Mon-Dak Athletic Conference - All-Academic Team
- Student of the Month - December 2003

EMPLOYMENT/EXPERIENCE:

- **Environmental Health & Safety Division** - Injury Prevention Coordinator
- **Soaring Eagle Foundation** - Chairman
- **Office of Tribal Secretary** - Assistant
- **Oneida Business Committee** - Intern Summer of 2006 & 2007



ISSUES:

Preservation and Strengthening of Tribal Sovereignty

- Enhance formal relations with other Oneidas and Haudenosaunee people
- Enhance communications on Tribal legal activities and law suits
 - ~ Land Claims
 - ~ Jurisdictional Issues

Economic Diversity

- Create opportunity and empowerment for Tribal entrepreneurs
- Provide sustainable support to Oneida owned businesses to develop our economy

Education

- Encourage the Oneida membership to prepare for future employment needs
- Strong support for building trade apprenticeships
- Increase training in professional entrepreneurial services

Community Advocacy

- Open consultation with on-going dialogue with Oneida youth and young adults
- More inclusion of the wisdom and experience of Oneida elders
- Include traditional protocols of respect at Tribal meetings

Culture and Language Initiatives

- Preserve and protect Oneida language
- Promote Oneida culture, heritage, and language

Youth

- Increase in drug and alcohol awareness
- Create an environment that exhibits the best of Oneida to encourage those values to our youth as they become the leaders that will carry this message on through our 7 generations

FATHERS FAIR 2008



The Annual Oneida Father's Fair was held on Thursday, June 12 at Oneida Family Fitness. Attendees did not let the days rainy weather hamper the festivities, some of which were moved indoors. Kids participated in races (left) that included fun events like potato sack racing. Tents were set-up outside for food and picnic table seating. Also on hand were various relaxation technique demonstrations and taro card readings (below).

Kali Photo/Steven J. Gandy



"During these past three years, Melinda has proven herself to be a strong woman and Oneida leader. Her personal values exemplify the kind of leadership our Nation needs in order to carry our successes into the future."

- Henrietta & Francis Cornelius, Oneida Community Members

Sakoli! During the upcoming weeks, I will continue with my neighborhood visits. I would like to hear your ideas and answer any questions you may have regarding my pursuit of a council seat. I appreciate all the heartfelt enncouragement I have received from many of you already. Please take the opportunity to learn more about my family, education, work experience and political views. I look forward to seeing you in the next few weeks. Yaw^ko!

PARENTS: Dennis & Margaret Danforth

SIBLINGS: Sateko, Reva, Dennis Jr. (DJ), Gerald, Merissa & Twyla

FAMILY ELDERS

GRANDPARENTS:

Everett & Carol Cornelius
Marilyn & Leander Danforth

GREAT GRANDPARENTS:

Melinda & Clifford Doxtator
Helen & Ervin Wheelock
Mercie & Guy Cornelius
Leander & Evelyn Danforth

Melinda J. DANFORTH For Council

PLATFORMS

INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

"Our ancestors had a vision to ensure our people would have the tools (education, housing, jobs...) to be successful in our modern-day society. As we continue moving forward, responsible spending and long-term financial planning on behalf of our children, adults and elders is a reality that we must address. We must acknowledge and make the difficult budgeting choices today, in order to provide for the needs of the future."

EDUCATION

"As a student, I have utilized the higher education program. As education costs continue rising, I will work with the BC to ensure the intent of the GTC directive is carried out to its fullest extent. This could be accomplished by "revisiting" the established processes to ensure fairness & equity with approval by the appropriate authority."

PROMOTING GENERATIONAL GROWTH

"The philosophy of promoting the personal growth of our young people has historically been a community effort. As a former coach & mentor of Oneida youth it is my goal to consciously balance teaching the values of yesteryears while preparing our youth for decisions they will face in modern-day lifestyles."

COMMUNICATION

"Communication continues to be an integral piece of good government. I committed to tackling this issue & instituted a team of people who are working hard to effectively reassess and enhance current communications between the government and the people. Currently, recommendations have been developed and are being implemented."

POLITICAL VIEWS

ECONOMIC STABILITY

"The national economy is on a downturn. We need to tighten the belt & find innovative ways to stabilize our economy. There are continuous outside threats to end Indian Gaming; our primary revenue source that supports services like health care, education & our #1 economic stimulator ~ jobs. Leadership must promote decisions & collaborative efforts to invest responsibly & develop businesses to supplement our budget. We must create responsible financial diversity to ensure continued successes beyond gaming."

GTC + BC = STRONG GOVERNMENT

"The General Tribal Council is our governing body and I am excited to be part of an era where GTC is exercising its authority. I believe we are in a time when the GTC & BC, can effectively make change together! It is important that both the GTC & BC are moving in the same direction in order to meet the goals of the Nation."

LEGISLATIVE ENFORCEMENT

"The Nation has laws which govern use of tribal resources like hunting & fishing or zoning. Unfortunately, the enforcement mechanism for our system of laws is weak; we have limited ways to ensure Oneida laws are being adhered to. As the Nation continues to grow & exercise jurisdiction within the reservation boundaries, this critical area needs to be addressed. As an elected official, I've already begun researching potential models that could assist in developing this component for our Nation."

Education & Work Experience

- ◆ Masters in Business Administration (Pursuing)
- ◆ Bachelors in Business Administration National American University (2003)
- ◆ Associates in Business Administration National American University (2001)
- ◆ 3 yrs. as B.C. Councilwoman
- ◆ 8 yrs. with the Business Committee
- ◆ 4 yrs. in the Retail Industry
- ◆ Human Resources & Customer Service

Work Skills, Abilities & Knowledge

- ◆ Working Knowledge of the Oneida Tribe's: Structure, Organizational Culture & Values, and Policies & Procedures.
- ◆ Knowledgeable of Local, State & Federal Issues Challenging the Nation
- ◆ Ability to Maintain Objectivity

"Melinda has been an elected official for 3 years and has a total of 11 years experience in tribal government. She understands what it takes to represent our Nation at home and in the state & national realms. The trustworthiness & dignity Melinda carries is an asset to the Nation at every level and she will continue to represent our Nation well."

- Ernie Stevens Jr., Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Association & Former Business Committee Member

(For questions for the candidate or a ride to the polls, please call 920-562-0290)
Authorized and paid for by Melinda J. Danforth



VOTE ◆ Saturday, July, 5

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Phantoms scare up a state title



Kali photos/Nate Wisneski

Brent Kakwitch celebrates the last out of Division 2 State Semi-final game at Fox Cities Stadium in Grand Chute, WI. West DePere defeated Barron 6-0 in the semi-final game. The Phantoms went on to defeat Prairie Du Chien 6-2 in the championship game on June 13 to win the state crown.
DaBen King (right), West DePere's 3rd Basemen and Pitcher, warms up during June 11th semi-final game. He pitched an inning during the Phantoms championship game win.



Oneida Braves

Mens 2008 Baseball Schedule

1. Sun June 22	Oneida @ Branch	4:00
2. Wed June 25.....	Denmark @ Oneida	7:30
3. Fri June 27	Oneida @ Algoma	7:30
4. Sun June 29	Oneida @ Casco	4:00
5. Wed July 2	Kewaunee @ Oneida	7:30
11. Wed July 9.....	Branch @ Oneida	7:30
12. Fri July 11.....	Two Rivers @ Oneida	7:30
13. Mon July 14.....	Oneida @ Two Rivers	7:30
14. Wed July 16.....	Algoma @ Oneida	7:30
15. Wed July 23.....	Oneida @ Kewaunee	7:30
16. Fri July 25.....	Casco @ Oneida	7:30
17. Fri Aug 1.....	Oneida @ Denmark	7:30
18. Sun Aug 3.....	Branch @ Oneida	2:00



Commandos vs. Rangers Baseball Game

June 28th, 2008

12:00pm—5:00pm

Oneida Little League Diamond

12:00noon—Tball Game

1:30pm—Little League Game

3:00pm—Commandos vs. Rangers

Fundraiser to support Oneida Athletes
who will be competing in the 2008 Indigenous Games
in British Columbia, Canada
Raffle Prizes, 50/50 Raffles, Food
Questions:
Scott Murray 490-3806 or Pete King 713-8634



Linda S. Dallas For Chairwoman

Elected By The People...To Serve The People!
Honestly, Sincerely & Diligently

Experience:

Currently Interim Executive Director for America's Dream, Inc. and Deputy Duneor Mutual Self Help Housing Program

1986 to 2000:

Oneida Conservation Department, Retail, Slots, Coupon Redemption System, Table Games (Blackjack): Dealer, Floor Supervisor and Assistant Director: Gaming Personnel Systems Analyst: Review, Analyze, Revise, and Develop Policies & Procedures for our gaming operation. Advise top management re: tribal, local, state and federal gaming legislation

Oneida Election Board – 3 years
Oneida Gaming Commission – 4 years
Employee/Community Advocate – 15 years

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Contributed to the grant writing, development and over sight of a Mutual Self-Help Housing Program and the new urban Native American Service Center in Green Bay, Wisconsin, for America's Dream, Inc. Non-Profit Organization. I have assisted thirteen (13) families low and very-low income families realize the dream of building and owning a place to call "HOME".

Authorized and paid for by Linda S. Dallas



Working For Justice To Build The Peace

We have been a part of the community since we were small children. Our interest and active participation with community, employment and government began in 1993. Since then we have gained valuable and precious knowledge, experience, and insight into the day-to-day affairs at the tribal, local, state and federal levels. We have worked hard to defend the rights of our people and to bring to light information to the Oneida General Tribal Council that would have remained hidden otherwise.

We Support:

- Protecting our sovereignty
- Taking care of our children and elders
- Veteran Affairs
- Accountability and responsibility.
- Effective Communication in reporting to GTC
- Analyzing then approving expense requests.
- Spending and financial Control
- Helping GTC to understand their roles as nation members.
- Personal growth through education
- Ethical, professional and best business practices.
- Positive change by effective decisions
- Evaluating and prioritizing our human resources.
- Improving services to Tribal community
- Inter-governmental agreements that enhance and protect our sovereignty.
- Increasing Oneida Language and Culture learning opportunities.
- Affordable housing



Dorothy A. Skenandore For Vice-Chairwoman

Standing up for General Tribal Council
with **Honesty** and **Integrity**

Experience:

- ~ Early Education Field – 25+ years
Oneida Head Start Program
- ~ America's Dream Board of Directors – Chairwoman
- ~ Oneida Election Board – Acting Chair & Vice Chair
- ~ Wisconsin Child Care Administrators- Association – Parliamentarian
- ~ Wisconsin Child Care Administrators Association – Legislative Committee
- ~ Employee Advocate – Representative

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Community awareness and General Tribal Council Involvement. Contributed to developing the grant for the new urban Native American Service Center in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Oversee and guide the Mutual Self-Help Housing Program that affords low and very-low income families an opportunity to build their own home.

Authorized and paid for by Dorothy A. Skenandore

Letters

Letters & Opinions...

Abuse of power

In January of 2008, the Oneida Housing Authority decided that the Oneida Tribal members should have to calculate the December 2007 \$5000/\$10,000 per capita payment into their annual income. This caused payments from the tribal members to the Oneida Housing Authority (OHA) to go up.

Research by Councilman Ed Delgado proved that OHA did not have to include the special one time per capita. On May 14, 2008 Ed Delgado submitted a resolution before the Oneida Business Committee to overturn the OHA ruling. There were six Business Committee members present: Ed Delgado, Vince DelaRosa and Secretary Patty Hoeft voted to overturn OHA. Vice Chair Kathy Hughes and Treasurer Mercie Danforth voted not to. Why did Hughes and Danforth vote no? Was it to punish the tribal members for getting a substantial per capita? I wish they would explain their actions!

In an odd twist, Oneida General Manager Debbie Thundercloud, Kathy Hughes and Mercie Danforth signed off on a contract that was given to a tribal member for \$575,000 without notifying the whole Business Committee. Is this legal? It doesn't seem like it should be!

Madelyn Genskow

Special Thanks to the Oneida People

I'm pleased and honored to write this letter of thanks to the Oneida People for allowing me the opportunity to serve you as the Legislative Assistant to Councilman Vince DelaRosa for the past nine years. It was a real pleasure working for Councilman DelaRosa who is a visionary leader.

During my time with Vince's office I witnessed him working on new and strong policy ideas to improve our nation; I applaud his efforts to

serve the Oneida Nation. He has the dedication and the vision to be an effective leader for all the people. A recent example of his vision is contained in his per-capita plan that will provide long term income for the Oneida people.

Recently, I accepted a new position within the Gaming Division and I look forward to the challenges of my new position. Best Wishes to all.

Karen "Kay" Katch

Congratulations!

To Nia Skenandore, daughter of Jeff and Jennifer Skenandore, she is a contestant in the National American Miss Pageant being held in Madison, WI on June 20 and 21 of 2008. She is participating in the Princess category and other categories for her age group that includes a photogenic and modeling competition.

She has also recently participated in a photo contest at Glamour Shots at the Fox River mall where she won the local contest for her age group and had her picture on display in the store.

She has received a lot of support from Mom, Dad, her brother Sean, sister Savannah, Papa, Grandma, family and friends.

We would like to thank the following for their support by sponsoring and doing advertisements for our daughter: Tilleman Brother's Racing, Oneida Volunteer Fire Department, R Team, Grama's Diner, Mug Shots, Red-D-Mix Concrete Inc, Fatzo's Sub & Pizza Shop, Oneida Tribe of Indians, Shawano Manor, TNT Excavating, Glamour Shots of Appleton, and Rico's Family Restaurant.

We also want to thank Los Bandito West and AmericInn

of Manitowoc for donating food and a hotel package for a fundraiser for Nia. Seroogy's also was a big part of her fundraiser.

Her family is so proud of her for all of her achievements and will continue to support her all the way.

Love Dad, Mom, Sean and Savannah

Comparing Notes

After watching today's Business Committee Meeting and you, Dawn, I felt compelled to write this letter.

I know you were taking notes and so was I, but I wondered what your notes were like compared to mine. After all, it was a pretty interesting meeting. I can't wait to read your articles and see what your perception of things are with regards to today's agenda. From the very beginning right up to lunch.

It was interesting to say the least with the special recognition of the Gaming General Manager by Chairman Danforth. I would comment on that but then my comment may give you a reason to not submit this letter as you have done in the past.

The deletion of the following items; approval of Business Committee Standard Employee Contract, Approval of Standard Operating Procedures for Hiring of Business Political Appointments, and the Executive Session Items; Complaint regarding an Oneida Police Commissioner and the Complaint regarding an Oneida Business Committee member, will continue to draw my interest. What are your thoughts on this?

I was surprised to learn that the Health Center Board was not functional as per the Director's statement of 'long lapses of time', and /or the issue of by-laws for the Health Advisory Board.

Now Ed Delgado's request for a copy of Strateglobe LLC contract for information was

just as entertaining as the discussion regarding Vince DelaRosa's letter for Approval of Resolution for the Business Committee Assistants Policy and Valiant.

With all the approvals and requests like the "Valiant Discussion" and items with regard to the Business Committee Assistants along with the rage and anger I observed, it sure makes me wonder what is the real issue with controlling the future Business Committee Members and their assistants by these current Business Committee Members! Could this fall under any of your articles? It sure would be nice to read about these kinds of things in our tribal newspaper.

And what about the property the tribe purchased out on Highway 29 and FF. I was floored to learn the tribe purchased this property from Juza. First the Housing Authority, then Strateglobe and now this. There just isn't enough time in the day, is there!

Cathy Metoxen

Oneida's Living in the Chicago Area: Please Note

The American Indian Health Service of Chicago, Inc. is working to try and improve the health services for Urban American Indians.

As such, an Urban "Needs Assessment" project is currently in progress for the Indian Health Service's Bemidji Area, this includes the Chicago area.

Accordingly, my office was informed that they need 400 individuals to participate in an hour long interview to aid them in planning services for the urban American Indian populations.

By participating in this interview, you will help them identify the health needs of the community so that we may tailor their services in order to better serve you. As a thank you for your input,

you will be compensated with a \$25.00 gift card at the completion of the interview.

Please call Ms. Ellen M. Williams for more information on the project at 773.883.9100 X 31.

Participants do not need to be clients of AIHSC, but they must be an American Indian tribal member or descendant, at least 18 years old and a Chicago area resident.

If you get a chance, go participate an help with the assessments. Thanks.

*Respectfully,
Vince DelaRosa*

Dear extended Oneida members,

Recently my two sons were deployed to Iraq with the US Marine Corps, and from their letters and phone conversations, they have brought to my attention they are very lonely.

I am very proud of them and feel bad I could not go with them. (A mother's instinct). So I am asking my Oneida family to please write them and let them know we're all thinking of them.

My oldest son is:
LCPL Rodolfo "Rudy" Hernandez
MACS-IDETA
Unit 42035
FPO at 964262035
My other son is:
CPL Hernandez BC
2/24 Fox Co HQ PCT
FPO/AP 96426-3505

Pleas, just a few words or a long letter just to let them know we're thinking of them.

*Thank you,
Marion Porcayo*

Thornberry Concerns

I happened to read a news release posted May 30th by the Oneida Business Committee which announced their intent to purchase Thornberry Creek Golf Course. This is a very large purchase coming on the heels of a large per capita payout

and also one which does not provide any relief for the shortage of affordable housing either.

I admire that they are letting their members vote on this very large purchase on June 28th.

I look forward with great interest for the promised additional information, especially the financials that explain this excessive purchase.

John Berggren, Hobart

Teen Art Apprentices wanted

Computer Animation

August 4 - 11, 2008

This year, the Oneida Nation Arts Program's summer arts apprenticeship program for teens explores computer animation. Teens, ages 14 thru 17 years, will create their computer animation using Adobe Flash software.

The apprentices will work Monday thru Friday for 2 weeks starting August 4 and ending August 15. Parents/guardian must attend an orientation meeting with their teen apprentices before the apprenticeship begins. Parents must also provide transportation to and from the work site for their teens during the apprenticeship.

This year the teen apprentices will learn traditional animation theory, principles and techniques under the guidance of Tom Wallestad, Assoc. Professor Graphics Arts at Marian University. Teens will be able to add a new dimension to their drawings and illustrations through the use of a computer and the powerful Adobe Flash software program. Each teen will explore character development, invent a storyline, and create cartoon animated shorts.

To receive more information about the teen apprenticeship contact Christine Klimmek via email cklimmek@oneidation.org or call 920-490-3831.

2008 GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

**SATURDAY
July 5, 2008
7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.**

**ONEIDA NATION
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL
N7125 SEMINARY
ROAD - ONEIDA
&
SEOTS BUILDING
6811 W. MORGAN
AVENUE -
MILWAUKEE**

**PICTURE
IDENTIFICATION
REQUIRED
&
NO CHILDREN
ALLOWED IN
VOTING AREA**

Campbell rebuts Secretary's Report

The "Secretary's Report" which appeared in the June 5, 2008 issue of the Kalihwisaks newspaper contained numerous errors of fact and misrepresentations warranting the following correction:

1. The name of a public art project that features the Oneida Nation sponsor name, insignia and/or tenets on 24 public art tribute pieces of which the Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI is the name sponsor is the "Oneida Nation Walk of Legends."

The project was incorrectly identified in the article.

2. The contract for the Oneida Nation Walk of Legends is a "name sponsorship" contract.

The contract type was misrepresented by the author of the article.

3. The creator and owner of the Walk of Legends in concept, design, content and proprietary methods of installation and construction is a private company and, as such, protection of its proprietary and intellectual capital is provided for under federal laws governing the use of copyright and trademarks.

The creator, owner and rights holder of the Walk of Legends was misrepresented and misappropriated by the author of the article.

4. The creator/owner/ rights holder of the Walk of Legends, a private company, bears the responsibility for securing competitive bids for this and other projects of which it implements and is the author and creator.

The party responsible for securing competitive bids and hiring contractors for this Walk of Legends was misappropriated and misrepresented by the author of the article.

5. Attorneys and all parties involved in the drafting, negotiating and execution of a binding name sponsorship contract for the Walk of Legends followed the letter of both Oneida Tribal law and policy and U.S. Government law.

All members of the Oneida Business Committee, including the author of the article were informed about the contract for name sponsorship for the Oneida Nation Walk of Legends, the scope and merits of the project.

An explanation of the scope and merits of the Walk of Legends name sponsorship was also provided to tribal managers and tribal membership at General Tribal Council meetings.


Non-fact based statements about the intent of those

involved in the process of securing, drafting, negotiating and executing the name sponsorship contract and non-fact based statements about how procedures were followed in that process were conveyed and published without independent verification by the author in the article.

6. The author of the June 5, 2008 Secretary's Report, failed to state, as a preface to the article, that the opinions contained therein were those of the author and, as such, not necessarily based on fact, nor were they necessarily representative of the opinions held by a majority of the tribal membership, its directors, tribal leadership or the staff or editors of the Kalihwisaks newspaper.

7. In outlining a campaign platform of "transparency in government," the author of the June 5, 2008 Secretary's Report failed to disclose the author is an incumbent candidate seeking re-election to the post of tribal secretary and, further, that the space used in this Secretary's Report to outline an election campaign platform was not paid for by the author.

*Sandi Campbell
Aspire LLC*



Vote

Ramon M. PAULL JR.

for

ONEIDA BUSINESS COMMITTEE & ONEIDA TRUST COMMITTEE

Honesty, Integrity & Accountability

politicalnative@yahoo.com
Cell #: (414) 559.1769

Authorized and paid for by Ramon M. Paull Jr.

Important Information regarding 2008 Payment

Please read each section carefully!

SECTION ONE: Types of Payments

1. Elder 65 Distribution:

- The General Tribal Council passed Resolution 6-30-90-A which directed a cash disbursement of \$500.00 per year to tribal members age 65 and over, payments to begin in 1994.
- This payment is perpetual. Commencing with the 2003 payment and every other year thereafter, tribal members age 65 and over will be receiving a 5% inflationary increase. The 2008 Distribution amount is \$578.81.
- For those turning age 65 in

October, November or December 2008, your Elder 65 monies will be paid at the end of the month following your birthday. Example: If you turn 65 in December 2008, you will be paid at the end of January 2009.

2. Elder 62 Distribution:

- The General Tribal Council passed Resolution 8-11-97-A which directed a cash disbursement of \$2,000.00 per year to tribal members age 62 and over, payments to begin in 1998.
- This payment is based on Gaming Compact renewal.
- For those turning age 62 in October, November or

December 2008 your Elder 62 monies will be paid at the end of the month following your birthday. Example: If you turn 62 in December 2008, you will be paid at the end of January 2009.

3. General Membership Distribution:

- The General Tribal Council passed Resolution 7-5-04-B which directed a cash disbursement of \$800.00 per year to all tribal members, payments to begin in 2005.
- This payment continues until 2013.
- Tribal members are eligible for this payment if they are enrolled as of the deadline indicated by the Tribe, for each payment year.

4. Unclaimed 2006

Distributions:

- Please contact the Oneida Enrollment Department as each individual case may vary. The deadline to claim the payment is close of business on Tuesday, September 4, 2008.
- An FY-2008 Membership Payment Form must be filed by the deadline.

5. Minor Trust Account Payments:

- The monies for eligible tribal members under the age of 18 are placed into a trust account.
- Please contact the Oneida Trust Department for more information at (920) 490-3935.

SECTION TWO: Reporting and Taxation of Payments

- All payments are subject to federal income tax and may be subject to state or other applicable taxes.
- All payments must be reported as income and may affect eligibility for entitlement programs.
- Please contact your tax preparer, tax consultant or case worker with any questions.
- Each payment will have a 1099-MISC tax form issued. This includes payments that are attached for child support and/or tribal debt.
- Tribal members may voluntarily request that 20% of a payment be withheld for federal taxes. This includes tribal members whose payments are attached for child support and/or tribal debt.
- Mandatory Federal Income Tax Withholding is required on payments as indicated on page 57 of IRS Publication 15-A. For 2008, payment amounts totaling over \$8,950.00 are subject to this withholding.

Payment Form DEADLINE

Close of business on...

TUESDAY,
September 2, 2008

Checks mailed on...

TUESDAY,
September 30, 2008

Please allow
time for
delivery!

SECTION THREE: Miscellaneous Information

1. Power of Attorney and Guardians:

- Effective 2004 and every fourth year thereafter, the Oneida Enrollment Department requires that any Power of Attorney (POA) or Guardian for a tribal member must submit acceptable documentation to be recognized.
- Acceptable documentation consists of:
 - An original power of attorney document (which will be returned)
 - A certified copy of the guardianship document.

2. Attachments:

- Payments are subject to

attachments.

- Attachments are defined as "claims on a payment for debts owed".
- Only the following are considered:
 - Child Support Arrears
 - Tribal Debt
- Requests to attach to a payment must be submitted to the Oneida Appeals Commission *by close of business on Monday, June 30, 2008.*
- All questions regarding attachments should be directed to the Oneida Appeals Commission.

3. Address or Name Changes:

- To change the check address <http://enrollment.oneidanation.org>

of a previously submitted payment form, a NEW FY-2008 Membership Payment Form MUST be completed and returned *by close of business on Tuesday, September 2, 2008.*

- To change your name, a Name Change Request Form MUST be completed and returned by close of business on Tuesday, September 2, 2008.
- To request forms, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department or you may retrieve forms on our website at:

SECTION FOUR: Payment forms, Instructions and Receipts

1. Payment Form Mailing:

- FY-2008 Membership Payment Forms were mailed on May 16, 2008 to every tribal member with an address on file.
- To request FY-2008 Membership Payment Forms, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department.

2. Payment Form Receipts:

- It is the responsibility of each tribal member to submit a completed/notarized payment form to the Oneida Enrollment Department by

the deadline identified.

- All forms brought into the Oneida Enrollment Department will receive a paper receipt.
- Forms must be mailed or delivered to the Oneida Enrollment Department for their date stamp.
- After forms are accepted and processed, a postcard receipt will be mailed to the CHECK address indicated on the payment form. Postcard receipts will be mailed every two weeks.

Please allow time for delivery.

- If you do not receive a postcard receipt, contact the Oneida Enrollment Department.

3. Payment Form Instructions:

- No photocopied, faxed, emailed forms will be accepted. Do not use pencil or white out. Do not alter any information (i.e. writing over, scribbling out). Your form will not be accepted!**

If there are any questions, please contact us.

Oneida Enrollment Department

210 Elm St.

PO Box 365

Oneida, Wisconsin 54155

<http://enrollment.oneidanation.org>

• 920-869-6200 • 800-571-9902

We will work to obtain the information you need.

Good News

Congratulations
Jason Thomas Balinski
&
Jennifer Leigh McIntyre
of Roseville, Michigan
would like to announce
their engagement.
The happy couple plan to
marry in 2009 and look
forward to celebrating
with friends and family.



Congratulations
Aaron...
on all of your
Accomplishments!
Best of Luck at UTI



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Happy 40 something
to Poonah Kak
on June 16th



We All Love You!
Your younger sis Yvonne,
nieces Kristi & Liana,
nephews Rob & Trevor
and great-niece Carmella

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NEXT DEADLINE
is... **Wednesday**
June 25, 2008
@4:30 P.M.
with a
PUBLISH DATE
of... **Thursday,**
July 3, 2008

Questions, please call:
920-869-4277, 4279,
4280 or 4090
or email us at:
kalihwisaks@oneidanation.org

Congratulations
Kahletsyalusla
The heartfelt
encouragement of
the best in each of us
Teyuntkwás
She dances
Jasmine Rose House
2008
Home School Graduate



Kanolukwasla
Compassion, Love,
Identity, Caring & Joy of
Being to you
Mom, Dad, Grandma Marj
Yukwah wa'tsile
Our Family Our Nation
Apply
Yukwatsistay^
at CMN

Congratulations
Valerie Santiago
on Graduating from
Apollo College, Associate
Degree, Medical Assistant
in Mesa, Arizona!! And
Happy 20th Birthday
on June 5."



We all Love you very much.
We Miss You All - From
Lake, Mom, Brandon, Eddie,
& Jojo

Congratulations
Kalihwi-y%
Kahnya Cornelius
on graduating from
United Tribes College in
Bismarck, North Dakota
and earning your BA
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Love, Lake, Mom, Brandon,
Eddie & Jojo

Congratulations
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We're so proud you
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year to graduate!



Love Mom, Dad, Cameron,
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Happy Birthday
Shakira
Good Job at
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2007 & 2008



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Happy Birthday
Janette L. Moore
on July 10, 2008



Love, Mom (Rochelle) and
"The Gang"

Happy Birthday
Shania, Shantu,
& Shenisse
10 years old on
July 26, 2008
You are such babes!



Love ya! G - Ma (Rochelle)
and "The Gang"

Happy 1st Birthday
Sienna Marie



Love Great Grandma Lois

Happy Birthday
Misty
&
Christine
on June 19th, two
beauties from the
Doxtator Family



We Love you both

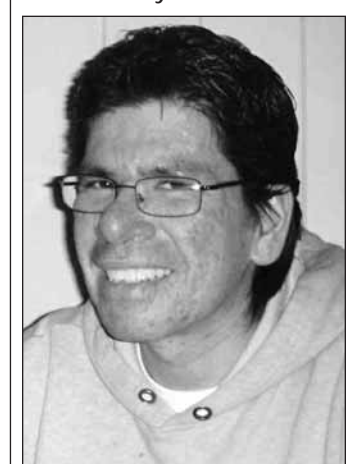
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Happy Birthday
Summer Dawn Powless
on June 1, 2008
Congratulations!
Hot Mama!
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Love, G - Ma Rochelle and
"The Gang"

Happy Birthday
Chaske J. Primeau
on July 15, 2008



Love, G - Ma Rochelle and
"The Gang"

Happy 1st Birthday
Sienna
Look Who's 1!



Love Daddy and Mommy

Congratulations
Jonas Jourdan
& DaBen King
on your graduation from
WDP High School!
Take pride in your
accomplishment fellas -
we sure do!
Class of 2008!

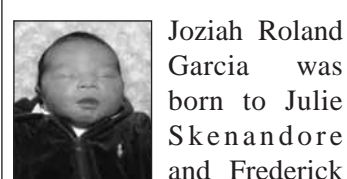


From the Hill, King, and
Jourdan Families

New Arrivals

If you have a birth announce-
ment, please send it to the
Kalihwisaks Newspaper, PO
Box 365, Oneida WI 54155 or
call Yvonne Kaquatosh at
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like to include a photo, please
send a SASE with your sub-
mission. Please include baby's
full (first, middle & last) name,
parents (first & last), d.o.b.,
weight (lbs. & oz.), length,
grandparents (maternal/pater-
nal), siblings (names only).
Also, if the baby was given an
Indian name, please include
the correct spelling and mean-
ing. Please include phone
number where you can be
reached during the day!

**Joziah
Roland
Garcia**



Joziah Roland
Garcia was
born to Julie
Skenandore
and Frederick
Garcia Jr. on May 19, 2008
at Poudre Valley Hospital in
Fort Collins, Colorado. He
weighed 7 lbs 9 oz and was
19.5 inches in length. His
maternal grandparents are
Keith Rowland Skenandore
(Jackie Skenandore) and
Mary Ann Metoxen (Arnold
Metoxen). His paternal
grandparents are Frederick
Garcia Sr. and Carolyn
Jussila (Bill Jussila). His
older brother is Jesse J.
Garcia.

**Alaze'a
Margaret Rose
Skippergosh**



Alaze'a
Margaret Rose
Skippergosh
was born on
May 7, 2008 at Bellin
Hospital. 6lbs, 10oz, 18
inches. Parents Nizohonie
Gilsoul & James
Skippergosh Siblings
Guadalupe, Noelia, Noemi,
Tara, Mandy, Shawna, Eddy,
& Alex Grandparents:
Maternal - Greg & Kathy
Gilsoul Paternal - James Sr.
& Brenda Skippergosh.

Happy 1st Birthday
Sienna



Love Gramma Nancy
Uncle's Bruce, Matthew &
Bobby and Auntie Marissa
and your cousins!

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Public Hearing

Purpose: Amendments to the Travel Policy in order to replace language in the policy that names American Express as the official credit card company of the Tribe. The proposed amendments would insert language into the policy that would allow the Tribe the ability to use the credit card company of its choice.
When: June 24, 2008
Where:Business Committee Conference Room
Time: 11:30AM

Public Hearing Process

I. Testimony:
A. Oral: There will be a 5 minute limit for all oral presentations. Each participant is encouraged to provide a written transcript of his/her oral testimony, to be submitted while present at the public hearing or within ten (10) business days from the date of public hearing to the below named individuals.
B. Written: For those who cannot attend the scheduled public hearing or do not plan to speak at the hearing, the Oneida Tribe encourages those to submit written testimony. A maximum of ten (10) pages, doubled spaced, can be submitted within ten (10) business days from the date of public hearing to the Tribal Secretary (Patricia Hoeft) or Peril Huff, Legislative Reference Office at the Norbert Hill Center, 2nd floor or mail to PO Box 365, Oneida WI 54155.

* If you would like to obtain a copy of the above proposed law or have any questions as to the public hearing process you may contact Peril Huff at the Legislative Reference Office, via GroupWise phuff@oneidation.org Or call 1-800-236-2214 or 869-4376. The Legislative Reference Office fax number is 1-920-869-4399. Copies of this law are also available on the LOC Website: www.onloc.oneidation.org

Legal Notice

Legal Notice
Setting Time and Notice to Creditors: request for information.
The following estates are being prepared for probate by the United States Department of the Interior and/or the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin. All creditor claims must be filled on or before July 9, 2008.
Jeffery Borla 02/11/1965-01/02/2008
Estelle Gonxalez 09/11/1965-02/03/2008
Anna Hicks 04/04/1917-12/25/1999
Floyd (Silas) Hill 04/18/1945-08/23/2002
John Krause 07/08/1955-03/31/2008
Allen Reed 08/08/1936-02/08/2008
Douglas Reed 03/16/1968-02/08/2008
Patricia Rensch 03/07/1946-06/09/2005
Frank Silas 04/01/1958-08/23/2002
Romona Watters 05/02/1936-05/25/2005
Send all creditor' claims and information relating to the decendent to the following address:
Tina L. Figueroa, Land Title and Trust Specialist/Probates
Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin
Division of Land Management
PO Box 365
Oneida WI 54155
Dated May 28, 2008

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Attention Fathers

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Call 920.869.4280

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NEXT DEADLINE is...Wednesday June 25, 2008 @4:30 P.M. with a PUBLISH DATE of...Thursday July 3, 2008

Questions, please call: 920-869-4277, 4279, 4280 or 4090 or email us at: kalihwisaks@oneidation.org

Public Meeting

The Brown County Planning Commission, Brown County Facility & Park Management Department, and a 9-member Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) have been assigned the task to update the Brown County Open Space and Outdoor Recreation Plan with the Brown County Education & Recreation Committee. Having a current plan provides a common direction. A current plan also aides in the application process of grants and special project funding for both Brown County and local municipalities. "Public input is welcome"
Community Meeting on June 26, 2008
Pamperin Park
4:30PM-6PM

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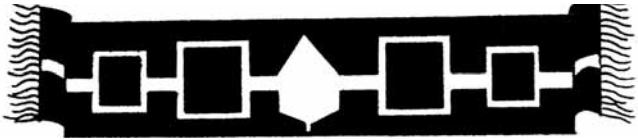
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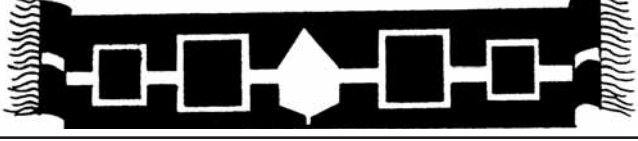
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Previous:

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After February 17, 2009, a television receiver with only an analog broadcast tuner will require a converter box to receive full power over-the-air broadcasts with an antenna because of the Nation's transition to digital broadcasting. Analog only TVs should continue to work as before to receive low power, Class A or translator television stations and with cable and satellite TV services, gaming consoles, VCRs, DVD players, and other products. Information about the DTV transition is available from http://www.DTV.gov, and from http://www.dtv2009.gov or 1-888-OTV-2009 for information about subsidized coupons for digital-to-analog converter boxes.

Approved by the Oneida Land Commission: 06/09/2008

Health

Connecting dots to better health



Kali photo/Nate Wisneski

Asha Jain, a certified diabetes educator and registered dietician, presents to community members during a Connect the Dots: Diabetes and Your Heart – How Medicare Helps conference. The event was June 19 at the Elderly Services Center and focused on diabetes and how Medicare helps treat and prevent it. The conference was sponsored by the National Council on Aging.

Wear your blue jeans for ACS

Wear Blue Jeans for a \$1.00 donation on Thursday, June 26, 2008 and help support the Oneida Relay for Life Annual Fundraiser! The Oneida Relay for Life Committee is holding a “I dressed in support of Oneida Relay for Life” fundraiser on Thursday, June 26, 2008. Participants purchase a sticker for \$1.00 and wear bluejeans while at work. Even if you don’t wear bluejeans on this date, please donate one dollar to this worthy cause. The Oneida Relay for Life

raises money each year for cancer research, educational programs, advocacy and patient/family services for those touched by cancer Committee Members selling “bluejean” stickers: Dawn Krines-Glatt, Oneida Health Center (dkrines@oneidanation.org), Jenny Webster @ Little Bear (jwebste1@oneidanation.org), Doris Yelk-Wilberg @ Little Bear (dyelk@oneidanation.org), Paula (Pogi) King Dessart @ Norbert Hill Center (pogi@oneidanation.org), Lisa Metoxen @ Division of Land Management, (lmetoxen5@oneidanation.org), Laura Laitinen @ Employee Services Building (llaitine@oneidanation.org)

Watch for our upcoming event schedule. If you wish to participate or volunteer and would like more information, feel free to contact any one of the above listed individuals! Thank you for your support!

2008 Oneida Relay for Life

Submitted by Lisa Valenta

Income Development Coordinator, Northeast Region American Cancer Society Office:

WHAT: The American Cancer Society's 2008 Oneida Relay for Life is a pledge-based event that allows participants to walk through a designated course along the Norbert Hill Center Track, of Oneida, while raising funds to help in the fight against cancer.

During the event survivors will be honored and celebrated to show that cancer is a battle that can be won.

WHEN: July 25 & 26, 2008, starting at 6:00PM and ending at 10:00AM

WHERE: Norbert Hill Center, N7210 Seminary Road, Oneida, WI 54155

HIGHLIGHTS:

- An estimated 26,390 of Wisconsin residents will be diagnosed with cancer in 2008.
- Oneida Relay for Life funds cancer research, educational programs, services for cancer patients and their families and furthers the mission or the American Cancer Society to eliminate cancer as a major health problem.
- More than 150 Oneida residents will volunteer or participate in the American Cancer Society 2008 Oneida Relay for Life.

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering

and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913 and with national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 13 regional Divisions and local offices in 3,400 commu-

nities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States. For more information anytime, call toll free 1.800.ACS.2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

Health Topic



By Dr. William Stempski, DDS, OCHC Dental Director

Everything You Wanted to Know about Oneida Dental

Tuesday, July 8, 2008 5:00 P.M. Main Conference Rm.

On July 8, the Oneida Community Health Center will sponsor the third in the 2008 series of ‘Health Topics. Dr. William Stempski, DDS and OCHC Dental Director, will present “Everything You Wanted to Know about Oneida Dental” at 5:00 p.m. in the Main Conference Room. Some of the items Dr. Stempski will cover are: eligibility, providers on staff, and fees.

Dr. Stempski’s home town is Seindon, England and started at the Health Center in April of 1986. His education is from the fol-

lowing schools: University of Colorado and the Loyola University – School of Dentistry. Dr. Stempski is married and has 2 children. Earlier this year, Dr. Ravi Vir, OCHC Medical Director, delivered a presentation on blastomycosis and Dr. Michael Flood spoke on stroke. The Community Informational meetings are held quarterly and are open to the public. Patients can invest in their own health with accurate information.

Make plans now to attend the third health topic this year titled “Everything You Wanted to Know about Oneida Dental” with speaker, Dr. William Stempki, Tuesday evening July 8 at 5:00 p.m. in the Main Conference room at the Oneida Community Health Center.

Refreshments will be served.

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- EDUCATION:** Master of Arts Degree in Political Science and Public Policy, Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education.
- MILITARY EXPERIENCE:** Vietnam Era Veteran (1971-1973).
- WORK EXPERIENCE:** Legislative Analyst (3 yrs), Educator (20 yrs) and Job Training Counselor (3 yrs), OBC Councilman (3 yrs).

LEADERSHIP I’ve been blessed by knowing Indian leaders whom I feel were throwbacks to our history as Indian people. They, many now gone, never considered their personal interests and wealth above the well-being of the people. These were leaders the people could depend on. They made decisions that served the elderly, the ill, and the children who came first and above all else. Today, leadership responsibilities have increased. Oneidas need fair employment and educational opportunities; affordable housing; quality health care; and our veterans deserve the continued benefits and recognition they earned while in the service of their country.

SOVEREIGNTY In April the Tribe’s sovereignty was diminished by a Federal court ruling which allowed the Village of Hobart to condemn (take) Tribal land. Another judge with a law degree unable to read an Indian treaty. The Federal decision was one of many over the years which increasingly pose a threat to the inherent right of Indian tribes to govern themselves. Yet, as Federal courts grant states authority over our people, Indian children are still 2 times more likely to be physically, sexually and emotionally abused, Indian women are 3 times more likely to be physically and sexually assaulted, and the lives of many Indian youth continue to be

destroyed in the punishment dominated meat grinding court systems which surround many Indian communities, including Oneida. I believe the Oneida Tribe needs to protect its sovereignty by establishing a strong and accountable government. Fundamental components of a strong government are its leadership, laws and courts. If elected, I’ll continue to provide knowledgeable and hard working leadership needed to make decisions that are in the best interest of the people and to protect our sovereignty as an Indian nation.

OHA RENT AND MORTGAGE RECALCULATIONS

Soon after the membership received the recent \$5,000 / \$10,000 per capita payments last December, Oneida Housing Authority residents began receiving notices that their rents and mortgages were being raised because of the payment. The increases created a hardship and people contacted my office for help. In response, I researched Federal regulations and found that the special one-time per capita payment did not have to result in higher rents and mortgages. When I first communicated my findings at the Business Committee level, Tribal “experts” vigorously disagreed with my findings. Soon after, a Tribal elder received notification from a Federal housing official that indeed the one-time payment did not have to result in higher rents and mortgages (our elders don’t give up). In response, my Legislative Assistant and I drafted a resolution to stop OHA from increasing rents and mortgages based on the one-time per capita payment. That resolution was approved by the Business Committee in April. I am told that as a result of the Resolution, hundreds of Oneida families have had, or are in the process of having, their rents and mortgage payments reduced.

TRIBAL EMPLOYEE WAGES

Throughout my first term, I’ve worked for fair wages and fair working conditions for Oneida Tribal employees. I believe Tribal employee wages should keep up with inflation (COLA) and I believe that wages should also recognize years of experience and work initiative. If elected, I’ll continue to help Tribal employees. In addition, I find the recent Valiant Wage Compensation initiative to be very disappointing and if elected, I’ll work to revise it. At a minimum, Tribal wages need to keep up with inflation and that assurance has to be placed in the 2009 budget.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION & GENERAL TRIBAL COUNCIL REVITALIZATION

The Oneida Constitution places the powers of government under the authority of the General Tribal Council (the people). The By-laws say that the Council must, at least twice a year, receive a report on “all receipts and expenditures and the amount and nature of all funds” at all regular meetings of the Council. As the years have passed, I believe that the spirit of our Constitution and By-laws has increasingly been diminished. As a result, the General Tribal Council over the years has increasingly lost its authority over and right to financial information. Then came the John Powless petition of 2007. The 2007 decision of the General Tribal Council to pay the membership \$100 for attending GTC meetings has resulted in the Oneida people gathering by the hundreds to make the important decisions of the Tribe. I believe a new direction has been set. I further believe the new direction is consistent with what our ancestors intended more than 60 years ago, a nation governed by the people.

THORNBERRY GOLF COURSE CONSIDERATION BY GTC ON JUNE 28:

I urge the General Tribal Council to carefully weigh the pros and cons of the proposed purchase.

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DRUMS Across ONEIDA

Oneida Elderly Service
2907 S. Overland Rd.
Oneida, WI 54155

Ph. 920.869.2448
Fx. 920.869.1824



Senior Center-Meal Site
134 Riverside Dr.
Oneida, WI 54155

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Green Bean moon

July 2008



Wanted: Elder Volunteers

Elder Volunteers needed for the Foster Grandparent and Senior Companion Program. Individuals must be sixty (60) years of age, meet income guidelines and complete a preliminary physical exam.

Foster Grandparents and Senior Companions who meet the income guidelines are eligible to receive a stipend that is non-taxable and will not affect Social Security Benefits, Supplemental Security Income, Food Stamps or other benefits an individual may be eligible for.

Foster Grandparents work with children in

our Schools, Libraries and Day-cares and can work up to 40 hours a week. Senior Companions work with home bound elders and can work up to 20 hours a week. Both the Foster Grandparents and Senior Companions can get paid mileage at the rate of \$0.35 per mile for travel to and from their work site.

If interested in becoming a Foster Grandparent or Senior Companion please contact Elderly Services Benefit Specialist, Angela Ortiz @ 869-2448 for an application.

AOA Tile VI Exemplary Programs 2008



I would like to thank those responsible for those receiving the Title VI Exemplary Program award in Minnesota. Oneida Elderly Services received the Exemplary Program Award for 2008 and I could not have done this alone. I express my gratitude for staff, O.N.C.O.A., B.C. and Elders who support my work in many ways. I would like to also thank those in attendance for their moral support during my presentation: Melinda Danforth, Julia Denny, Hugh Danforth, Mary Jane Pittman, Pearl Mc Lester, Dorothy Skenandore, Lois Strong, Linda Bowman, Delora Cornelius, Cheryl Ault, Alfreida Grignon, Arlyle Doxtator and Clifford Doxtator, NICOA Chair (National Indian Council on Aging).

Florence Petri, Elderly Service Director

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The Elderly Services Program of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin mission is to assist our Elders to maintain an independent, healthy, productive and quality lifestyle through love, caring and respect by the services we provide.

Elder's Meditation of the Day

"To be able to greet the sun with the sounds from all of Nature is a great blessing, and it helps us to remember Who is the real provider of all of our benefits." Thomas Yellowtail, CROW

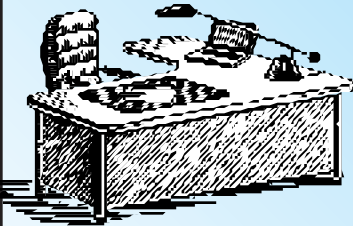
The Elders say we should pray to the East every morning. Just try it! Get up early in the morning, watch the sun and listen to the morning sounds, the birds, the winds; smell the air, feel the breeze and the warmth of the sun. Your mind will expand and you will experience oneness with the Great Spirit. You will realize who is really in charge. You will realize interconnectedness. You will realize how much the Creator loves you! Just try it.

Great Spirit, today, let me feel the earth, the Father Sun and your Presence

THANK YOU *Linda Doxator,* for the donation to our library. Our Elders will enjoy reading. A special thank you to *Sandy Gauthier and Purchasing* for donating gift cards for our Older American Month Activities. The cards were used at the Spring Dance, SEOTS Bingo and ONCOA Bingo for the elders in Celebration of Older Americans Month. Older Americans month is in May and we have a number of activities. We have elders from all over Wisconsin come to these events. This donation helped to make this event and even greater success.

ELDERS AND EVERYONE... ...DRUMS CONTACT

From the desk of: Linda Douglas



I am with Elderly Services and will be the main contact for the DRUMS Across Oneida newsletter. Please contact me with any comments, suggestions, concerns, complaints, etc. Thank you for your attention. My phone number: 920-869-2448 email ldouglas@oneidanation.org



For Your Information

Starting February 2009 television broadcasting will be changed from analog to digital. This is supposed to provide better viewing and help emergency responders protect the community. In order for this change to not affect your television viewing a TV converter box must be purchased and connected to your television. Most converter boxes will be priced from \$50 to \$70. Any televisions connected to cable, satellite, or services of the sort do not need a converter box to receive broadcasting.

Since new equipment must be purchased to accommodate the broadcasting change the government is offering a program to help lower the cost for consumers. You can apply for a \$40 coupon via telephone, online, mail in, or by fax. There is a limit of two coupons per household. The remaining balance of the converter will be the consumer's out of pocket cost. To get more information or complete an application you can visit the website

Caregiver Support Group

Date: Wednesday, July 23, 2008

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 P.M.

Place: Oneida Elderly Services
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See the language website

We encourage everyone to become involved in the Oneida Language. Remember that every word you learn and speak becomes a part of keeping the Oneida Language alive. Please visit our website at: language.oneidanation.org/about/history