



# New York Homeland Tour 2009

## Registration

**It is that time of the year! New York Homeland Tour Time! The Oneida Land Claims Commission hosts an annual New York Homeland Bus Tour every August.**

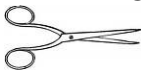
*Objective: The New York Homeland Bus Tour is a one week hands-on educational opportunity for our General Tribal Council Members to experience our original homeland in Upstate New York and receive a deeper understanding of the significance of our New York Land Claims, our History, and our Culture as Oneida people.*

- **“Suggested” sites:** Seneca Museum, Rochester Museum, Gonondagan, Canandaigua, Champlain Battlefield-Nichols Pond Park, Chittenango Falls, NY Oneida Territory-Oneida Museum, Oneida Lake, Fort Stanwix, Oriskany Battlefield, Erie Canal, Kana tsiohareke-Mohawk Community, and Iroquois Museum. Sites will be determined by LCC approval soon.
- **Co-Sponsors:** Cultural Heritage, Museum, Tourism, Bingo & Casino, Oneida Health Center and Kalihwisaks.
- **Searching For College Students!** Two seats reserved for “College Students” majoring in Indian Studies with a strong interest in Oneida History. Send in 3 page essay stating, “What It Means To Me To Be Oneida.” Best two essays will be selected-giving college student opportunity to go on trip. (\$100.00 Bus Seat Reservations is not waived.)

**Dates To Consider:** Deadlines: **Registration Starts:** March 30, 2009 ; **Registration Deadline** May 30, 2009 **Participant Drawing:** June 19, 2009 5:00 PM **Bus Seat Reservation Deadline:** June 30, 2009 **Passenger Information Meeting:** July 25, 2009 5:00 PM **Homeland Tour:** August 2-8, 2009.

Submitted by Jennifer M. Stevens, LCC Exec. Asst./Tour Coordinator

On Behalf of the Oneida Land Claims Commission: Loretta V. Metoxen-Chair, Wendell McLester-Vice Chair, Amelia Cornelius-Secretary/Treasurer, and Commissioners; Rita Summers and Hugh Danforth.



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| <u>Registration Form</u>   |         |                   |                   |              |
| LAST NAME: _____   |         | FIRST NAME: _____ |                   |              |
| ADDRESS: _____   |         |                   |                   |              |
| PHONE #: _____   |         | CELL: _____       |                   | D/O/B: _____ |
| E-MAIL: _____  |         |                   | TRIBAL ID#: _____ |              |
| TRAVEL CATEGORIES: <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE (1 Person) <input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE (2 People) <input type="checkbox"/> GROUP (3-4 People Max) |         |                   |                   |              |
| (Please List Who You Will Be Traveling With)   |         |                   |                   |              |
| TRAVEL PARTNERS  | ADDRESS | RELATIONSHIP      | D/O/B             | TRIBAL ID#   |
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## REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

- **Participation Selection:** Registration & Drawing
- **Bus Fee:** \$100.00 per person. Covers: Lodging, Food, and Transportation.
- **Participants: (Oneida Enrolled Members Only)** (unless married couple w/ children.)
- **First Time Participants:** Oneida Enrolled Members that have not been on previous NY Homeland Tour trips. (We have the Master Passenger List of past participants with enrollment #s)
- **Bus: 55 Passenger** (Participants, Staff, Registered Nurse, and photographer/videographer included)
- **Single:** Traveling alone.
- **Doubles Include:** (2) Parent/Child, Husband/Wife, Friends, Mates.
- **Groups Include:** (3-4) Immediate Family Members; Mother, Father, Guardians, Children, Grandparents.
- **Age:** Minimum of 10 years old.
- **College Students:** Two seats reserved for "College Students" majoring in Indian Studies with a strong interest in Oneida History. Send in 3 page essay stating, "What It Means To Me To Be Oneida." Essays will be reviewed by the Oneida Land Claims Commission, Staff, and NY Homeland Tour Advisory Board. (\$100.00 Bus Seat Reservations is not waived.)
- **One Registration Per Group:** Individuals planning on traveling together. (example. You can not register and list 3 other names, and have the 3 other people register and add you on their registration forms.)

**Our passengers wellbeing and health is important to us; This is a week long trip on a bus with 55 passengers. Please consider the following; a Certified Nurse will be on the bus.**

**Health Concerns:** If you have any of these concerns, please contact your Physician if any of the following would be a detriment to your health; \*Must be able to sit on a bus for 4-6 hours. \* Must be able to walk at least a mile. \* Must be able to be with large groups of people. Must NOT be prone to panic attacks, anxiety, and/or claustrophobia. \* Must not have MAJOR health concerns. **ALL Tour Participants are required to share any health concerns and medications with the staff and nurse to ensure that all participants will have a safe and healthy trip. Any information will be kept confidential.**

### WATCH FOR.....

- **Community Information Meetings:** Watch for Fliers regarding community meetings. An opportunity for Oneida community members to ask questions and get better informed on the New York Homeland Tours.
- **Registration: Starts March 30, 2009.** *Registration Forms* will be made available in the Kalihwisaks, Intranet, Groupwise, Per Request, and at the LCC Office. **Ends May 30, 2009!**
- **Would You Like E-mail Updates?** Contact Jennifer M. Stevens and let her know!

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