



The Newsletter for the Members of the Owasippe Staff Association

Vibrations

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Contract Terminated, New Options for Owasippe by Susan Derby, OSA Member

In mid-November, Ben Smith agreed to terminate the purchase agreement with the Chicago Area Council for the Owasippe property. The details of the termination agreement were not released, but it puts to rest the \$19 million offer to purchase the 4,800 acres of land and develop it into homes and resort property.

That contract has been in place since approximately 2003 and called for the council to get the land rezoned to allow for residential development. Now that the contract is gone, all options are back on the table for the council as far as its plan for Owasippe's future. In his announcement of the termination of the contract, Council President Michael Hughes set out some goals for the council, including redeveloping a more positive relationship with Blue Lake Township, determining "the right size for Owasippe and rebuild a world-class camping facility," and exploring conservancy group partnerships for the remainder of the property.

The "right size" comment harkens back to the recent property committee recommendation to retain about 1,000 acres, most likely around Camp Blackhawk, and sell the remainder of the property. Hughes has appointed Tom McDonough to lead a special team to determine current and future camping needs as well as what a smaller-size Owasippe would entail.

It is also important to note that the council has not

withdrawn its appeal of the Muskegon County court ruling in favor of Blue Lake Township over the zoning of the property as FR-I. Early reports that the appeal had been withdrawn were found to be untrue. The Michigan Court of Appeals has yet to set any hearing dates in that appeal.

According to council meeting minutes, a company has been hired to evaluate the possibility of cashing in on stream and wetland mitigation banks and conservation easements. Mitigation banks are funds that developers must pay into for adversely affecting wetlands and streams during construction, and in turn those funds are used to compensate those landowners who protect, restore or enhance other wetlands.

Now that the contract with Ben Smith has been ended, we hope that serious talks with the Owasippe Outdoor Education Center can proceed. The OOEC was formed by a few devoted Owasippe volunteers (who are also OSA members) as an entity to manage the property as a year-round outdoor education facility for Boy Scouts and other youth. With major partnerships with the Trust for Public Land and the Rosa and Raymond Parks Foundation, the OOEC stands ready to put its intent to buy into motion. To help continue their efforts, the OOEC is accepting tax-deductible donations in all amounts. See www.oaec.org for more details, including an open plan for potential uses of the property. ♣

31st Dinner Dance Just Around the Corner!

Your OSA Board is gearing up for the Annual Meeting and Dinner Dance, set for March 7th. This is our biggest annual event filled with fun raffles, silent auctions, the annual meeting, tasty dinner, and lots of time for socializing. Take a few minutes right now to mark your calendar and send in your ticket reservation on the enclosed form. The banquet will be held at European Chalet Banquets in Chicago just off I-55.

Doors open at 6 p.m., and dinner starts at 7 p.m. Plan on sticking around until 11:30 p.m. to take advantage of all the raffle drawings, silent auction items and open bar. Early bird ticket orders must be postmarked by Feb. 20th to receive the \$40 per person price. After that date, tickets go up to \$50 each. Our Golden Tickets for members and Green Tickets for

non-members will be mailed out at the end of February, with the rest at Will Call the night of the event.

This year, we are opening the raffle tickets to an unlimited number of entries. In our Ultimate Split-the-Pot raffle, one winner will walk away with an uncapped prize amount! With tickets at just \$10 each, this is sure to be one exciting prize! We are also selling raffle tickets for a Nintendo Wii for \$10 each. Silent auction items are still being accepted. Please contact Bill Van Berschot at billyvb@yahoo.com.

Board candidates are listed on page 5 of this issue. Elections will be held the night of the Dinner Dance, and the results of the election will be announced during the annual meeting. We look forward to seeing you all there! And bring a friend to help celebrate 31 years of the OSA! ♣

As you may know, in 2005 we added an amendment to our by-laws that created a two-consecutive-term limit for Board members. The annual meeting in March will mark the end of my second term, so I will be leaving the Board. I have really appreciated the opportunity to serve on the Board and work with so many dedicated OSA members. Together we have accomplished a lot. I'm particularly proud of our improved fundraising. We've also increased the participation of staff from the mid-'90s and later in our membership. I think we've done a great job continuing many of the efforts begun by previous Boards, such as maintaining Owasippe facilities like the Reneker cabins and helping supply programs like sailing base with essential materials.



One lesson that I will take away with me is that every OSA member can help to make our organization stronger and more successful. We do have a Board of Directors, but it takes many more than nine people to accomplish the mission of the OSA. It truly takes all of our membership to make a difference at Owasippe. Tim Toerber does a terrific job planning fix-its, but he needs OSA members to come up and volunteer to make the work weekend productive. We have a few good fundraisers, but we need lots of participation if we're going to raise money for big projects. This year we have been extremely lucky to have a lot of extra help.

Many OSA members have contributed in significant ways, both big and small. OSA members have organized large gift card orders, suggested or helped lead fix-it projects, taken photos at an event, contributed an article to the newsletter, donated items to the silent auction, worked on the kitchen crew, bought raffle tickets, and recruited new members. To cite a couple of examples, in June Jack Newell volunteered to coordinate our annual pub crawl in Lincoln Square, and during the summer concert fundraiser, Kurt Bihlmayer offered to volunteer at a few extra concerts on his own.

In addition, many of our former Board members have continued to lend a hand, and I am very grateful for their continued help as well as the valuable knowledge and experience they share. Ron Kulak planned a great night of fellowship at our post-Thanksgiving pizza night, and Candy Merritt is currently putting the final touches on this year's Dinner Dance. Mike "Buda" Campbell helps out by selling apparel and Entertainment books at events. Ron and Susan Derby have continued to put together this amazing newsletter. This year Dan Kleinfeldt agreed to be our Elections Chair for the annual meeting in March.

I have had a lot of help during my time on the Board too. I am extremely thankful to my husband, Phil, for all of his support during my six years on the Board. He has helped every step along the way, from volunteering for and then running the concert fundraiser to lugging around the OSA photo albums. I also appreciate the help and advice my parents have given me.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the OSA successful this year and every year. I look forward to

continuing my membership in the OSA, and I look forward to our future endeavors. I especially look forward to this year's annual meeting and to welcoming a few new members to the Board of Directors. ♣

OSA Membership Corner

presented by Hans Anderson - OSA Board Member

New Life Member: Jason Gebhardt

Owasipalooza Review

by Ron Kulak,
OSA Member

For most of its 30 years, the OSA has been holding a periodic social or get together. Originally, it was held at the Ted Stempien VFW Hall on 47th and Tripp in Chicago and was just called the OSA "Pizza Night" and was generally well attended by anywhere from 50 to 80 members and friends. It was an unstructured event that merely allowed a venue to socialize, converse and have a good time. Occasionally, Bill Lotter even showed up with his accordion to add to the merriment and a traditional "Roll Call" ensued toward the end of the evening, a tradition carried forward from the staffs of the '70s.

On Nov. 28th, we did not benefit by Bill's presence or the melodious tunes of his squeezebox, but we did have a good crowd of 76 members and friends of Owasippe attending the European Chalet Banquet Hall at 54th and Harlem in Chicago. We now call it the OSA "Owasipalooza" and it still allows a place to gather, quench a thirst, consume America's universal cuisine (code for pizza), and engage in the lively art of conversation.

Various items were available for sale ranging from camp memorabilia to an array of OSA apparel and paraphernalia, and many took advantage of the opportunity to purchase a few things. One of the highlights of the evening was the drawing of tickets for a large variety of door prizes provided by a host of people and institutions. There were dinner passes, theatre tickets, trips to observation decks, wine and cheese baskets, candy, gift cards and \$100 cash. We ran a split-the-pot for which our grand prize winner was past OSA President George Johnson.

Thanks to all who participated and attended and who made the Owasipalooza the fun event that it continues to be as well as to the various parties who provided items for our door prizes, such as Bill Van Berschot, the OSA and Park National Bank. We would also like to express our appreciation to European Chalet who was our gracious host that evening. It was good to see Joe, the friendly bartender, again...we think for the fifth year in a row.

We all look forward to gathering the gang once again at Owasipalooza-09. If anyone would like to be part of the 2009 Owasipalooza Committee or who would like to provide either entertainment or a door prize, please contact me at Owasiron@juno.com. Happy New Year to all! ♣

Owasipalooza (Pizza Night) 11/28

Photos courtesy of Susan Derby



Ad Center Staff '79

Photo sent in by OSA Member Joe Schlupe



NOTE: We have started a "Staffs of the Past" picture page located in the "Picture Archives" section of www.owasippe.com. We need your help to fill it up! So please scan those old staff photos (full size) into 72 dpi JPGs and e-mail them to vibrations@owasippe.com.

2009 Election Info.

Your OSA Board: The affairs of the OSA are managed by the nine members of the Board of Directors whom you elect. Their terms are staggered so that three must be elected each year. Each Board member serves a three-year term unless a vacancy must be filled for a shorter term. A Director must be a currently registered Staff or Associate member age 21 or older as of the day of election to be held on March 7, 2009, have a genuine interest in the success of the organization and be available for monthly Board of Director meetings.

Current Board of Directors			Term Expires
Tricia Groben* (President)	Hans Anderson*	Bill Van Berschot (Vice Pres.)	2009
Steve Henclewski	Andy Lukasiewicz	Michelle O'Connor	2010
Timothy Toerber III (Secretary)	Edgar Wolff-Klammer	Bob Pagels (Treasurer)	2011

* Two consecutive term limit goes into effect.

Who may vote?

Each OSA member currently registered (2009) is entitled to one vote at the Annual Meeting for the purpose of election of the Board of Directors. Voting may be done in person at the 31st Annual Meeting (European Chalet) on Saturday, March 7, 2009, from the time doors open until dinner is served.

Alternately, signed ballots will be accepted via the U.S. mail. A list of candidates, their resumes and a ballot are included in this issue of Vibrations.


Be sure that you are currently registered (2009) so that your vote can be counted! The current year of your membership will be on the mailing label addressing this mailing. Any questions regarding the status of your membership can be presented to the Membership Committee Chairman Hans Anderson at (773) 631-9962 or hans_de9@sbcglobal.net.

Winners Those candidates receiving the largest number of valid votes will be inducted into the Board of Directors during the 2009 Annual Meeting. The top three vote-getters will be considered duly elected. Seats are held for a term of three years.

Operating Officers The first official duty of the newly constituted Board of Directors will be to select operating officers for the next 12 months, namely President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. These officers will be announced at the Annual Meeting.

Absentee Ballot

Owasippe Staff Association



2009 Board of Directors
Official Mail-in Ballot

Vote for 3 candidates

Mail-in ballots MUST BE SIGNED for authenticity and received at the P.O. Box by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2009 to be counted in the election.

Owasippe Staff Association
Attn: Elections
P.O. Box 7097
Westchester, IL 60154

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Caitlin Boline
 Ron Kulak
 Andy Marhoul
 Candy Merritt
 Andy Sirota
 Bill Van Berschot
 write-in _____
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Meet the Candidates



Caitlin Boline says she is honored to be nominated to further her friendship with the OSA. After graduating last May from the University of Tampa, she is back in Chicago and in the home stretch of her first year of teaching fourth grade. This year will be her eighth consecutive summer working at Owasippe where she will serve as High Adventure Director. Prior to serving as the Climbing Director the past two summers, she enjoyed working at both Reneker and Blackhawk. During her time working at Owasippe, Caitlin has been able to serve in a variety of positions that have broadened her understanding of what it takes to run such a diverse camp. She has also seen a need for improvement, which she became specifically interested in through OSA functions and work weekends as well as personal projects she has headed. "As Reneker teen group leader, I implemented a service project into our weekly program. We helped in a variety of areas which needed attention, but were overlooked due to projects that had top priority. I would like to continue to see current summer staff and maintenance staff become more motivated to communicate with the OSA to improve Owasippe during and after the summer."



Ronald Kulak, age 57, is a resident of Oak Forest and is married to long-time Owasippe staffer Marilyn. They have four sons, all Eagle Scouts and past Owasippe staffers. Ron is a graduate of Chicago State University and is employed as a Branch Manager with Park National Bank in Chicago. Ron was a Scoutmaster of Troop 442 in Tinley Park for 10 years and for a 1997 National Jamboree troop. He initiated the Owasippe Manistee Quest program and served for 20 years on the Owasippe CIT program staff. He has earned the OA Vigil Honor, the Silver Beaver Award and the District Award of Merit. He is a founding Board member of the OSA and has served on its board at various times for 15 years as president, secretary and treasurer as well as chairman of its membership, newsletter, banquet and Owasipalooza committees. He is the publisher/editor of *The Scarlet Sassafras*. "I see the OSA as playing an integral role in Owasippe's centennial celebration and in the development of its camp staff. The OSA must take a leadership role in the preservation of Owasippe, intact, and in its expansion as a year-round world-class outdoor education center."



Andy Marhoul, age 29, lives with his fiancé, Kim Sturtevant, in Riverside. While earning a Bachelor in Fine Arts in photography from Columbia College, Andy also worked full-time as a union carpenter for five years at ALCA Carpentry before becoming an estimator for the same company in 2006. He began as a camper at Owasippe in 1991. Andy earned his Eagle Scout rank in 1997. Working at Camp Carlen since 1996, Andy spent three years in aquatics, one year as archery director earning Staffman of the Year, and one year as photography director. He has been part of the OSA ever since, giving time and fellowship. Andy would like to bring his construction and project management experience to the board to further aid in the rebuilding of camp. "The life lessons that I have learned at Owasippe have helped me always be positive. I want to make sure that sense of hope is in future Scouting generations of Owasippe as well."



Candy Merritt lives in LaGrange Park with her husband Geoff and daughters True and Bailey. She started a new career last year with Travelers Insurance (and she loves it!). Candy served on camp staff at Reneker for many years in various positions such as trading post, age group leader, aquatic director, and assistant camp director and was privileged to sit in the Director's chair for nine years. She says she loves Owasippe for many reasons: the beauty, the fresh air, the adventures, the people, but mostly for the memories. Candy has served on the OSA Board of Directors for two terms in the past, which is an equivalent of six years. During that time she served as the Event Coordinator planning many of the OSA's events such as the banquets, Candlelight Bowls and picnics. "I would like to again serve on the OSA Board because I believe that the OSA is an important part of Owasippe's present and future. I bring with me my camp experience, my ability to speak up for those who may not be able, my experience in managing a business on a budget and my ability to organize fun events."



Andy Sirota is 23 and lives in Wheaton where he works as an Engineering Technician at WeaverBoos Consultants, a civil engineering firm that performs work primarily on environmental sites. Andy graduated from Southern Illinois University Carbondale with a degree in Geography in 2007. Andy has been involved in Scouting since 1996 and is currently an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 352, where he earned his Eagle Scout award in 2003. Andy has worked six years on Owasippe Staff. After his CIT year, he worked one year at Carlen and five with Blackhawk on the aquatics staff, including two years as Aquatics Director. "I would like use my position on the OSA Board to improve the quality of program at Owasippe so that every Scout will have the same great experiences as I did."



Bill Van Berschot lives on the North Side of Chicago. If you travel to the city by train you may see him at Chicago Union Station where he works as the Director of Marketing and Events. In 1979, he began camping at Camp Blackhawk and then started working there in 1985. After four fantastic years on the shores of Big Blue having worked in Scoutcraft and eco/con, he traveled across camp and worked another four years in eco/con, commissioner, and Camp Director at Wolverine. After eight years on staff at Owasippe, he ventured to the northern woods of California and instructed C.O.P.E. before moving to Germany. When he returned, he helped to start Photo Outpost as part of the High Adventure team and then worked as reservation program director and then had the privilege of serving as Owasippe's Reservation Director. "For the past three years, I have been honored to be a part of the OSA Board, serving as the Vice President for the past two. As a dedicated member of the organization, I look forward to serving the OSA in a second term."

Galloping Grapevine



Helen Gesell ~ Oak Lawn, IL

Congratulations to Helen on receiving the Silver Beaver Award, recognizing her service to Scouts in Chicago. Helen has been a fixture in Scouting for most of her life and has been active in all levels in the Arrowhead District, including Commissioner, Cub Scout Coordinator, Camp Director, and many other roles. She has worked tirelessly to keep boys motivated in the Scouting program and to help adults provide excellent programs. We are so glad the council is recognizing her amazing dedication and service. She will receive the award at the council dinner on Feb. 28th. Congrats, Helen!

Don Studaven ~ Twin Lake, MI

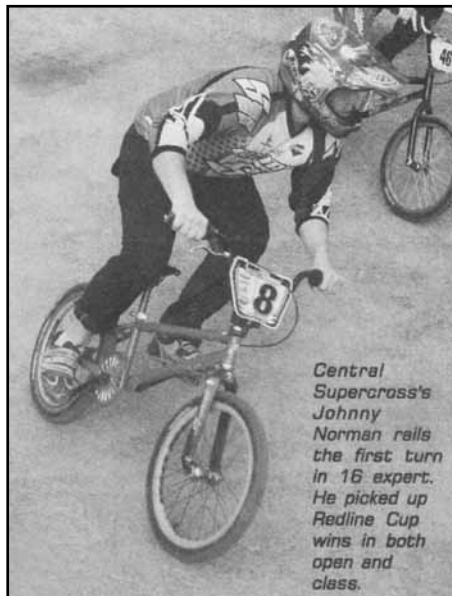
Our congratulations to Don Studaven on his reelection as Township Supervisor of Blue Lake Township. Township residents voted him in for another term on Nov. 4, defeating Marion Knash, who serves as tax assessor. Don is a Life Member of the OSA and served admirably in Scouting for decades before moving up to Blue Lake and entering politics. We believe his reelection is in part due to residents' approval of how the township handled the Owasippe zoning issue. Congrats, Don!

Dan Troy ~ Downers Grove, IL

Our faithful "Deacon Dan" has been awarded the St. George Religious Emblem by the Archdiocese of Chicago, Catholic Committee on Scouting. The award recognizes a person who has made "significant and outstanding contributions to the spiritual development of Catholic youths through Scouting," and Dan certainly fits that bill. He has been Chaplain at Owasippe for decades, providing chapel services as well as personal counseling (not to mention a much-loved macaroni song at campfires). Thanks for sharing your gifts with us all, Dan, and congratulations on the award!

John Norman ~ Kansas City, MO

John, son of Jack "Tiny" Norman, earned two first place finishes at the central region championship BMX races. Not only did John capture first in both races, but he also got his photo in BMXer Magazine. As a lasting reminder of his performance, he gets to ride with the #1 plate on his bike for the next year. Way to go, John!



Central Supercross's Johnny Norman rails the first turn in 16 expert. He picked up Redline Cup wins in both open and class.

News & Notes

Trio of Restaurant Improvements

Whitehall has seen some improvements in its dining options lately. Gary's Restaurant, the staff favorite for breakfast out, has opened in its new location on Colby Street. The diner features all new interior and exterior, more tables than the old location, and the same great menu and prices. They even brought the grill over from the old location, so those eggs and bacon will still taste the same. You'll find it in the old White Sands/Michael's/ Diamondback/Ciabatta's building along with the Chamber bar and the Pizza Joint.

Dairy Treat is getting an upper deck installed so customers can enjoy their ice cream delights from a higher (and safer) vantage point. Now your cones and monster malts come with sweeping views of downtown Whitehall. Scoutmasters will love the new deck as it moves everyone away from the curbs and busy roadway.

Pizza Hut has completely remodeled inside and added a Wing Street franchise as well. Wings and sandwiches are on the menu, and we're told beer will be coming soon. The outside and inside got a full remodel, including steel roof, flat-screen TVs, new seating and sleek accessories. Wi-Fi is available there as well.

Dining Hall Collapse at Camp Gerber

Owasippe's neighboring Scout camp had the unfortunate collapse of its dining hall this December. Executives of the Gerald R. Ford Council were relieved that no one was in the building at the time of the collapse. Staff interviews were scheduled for just two days later. The collapse is being attributed to the more than three feet of snow that slammed the area around Christmas, but final engineering reports have yet to be completed.



Camp Gerber is looking at this in the best way possible. Though the dining hall was only 12 years old, it was too small to accommodate the growing camp. Discussions were already underway about whether to add on to the existing structure or demolish it and start from scratch. While the dining hall portion of the building was leveled, the kitchen facility seemed relatively unharmed, including all the equipment. The building was built in a T shape, with the kitchen as the base and the dining hall as the crossbar.

The council plans to have a new dining hall rebuilt by the start of the 2009 camping season thanks to insurance money and grants that have come in to help with the construction. The old building has a capacity of 480, but with the completion of the new Venture base at Camp Gerber as well as the expanding use of the property, a larger capacity will be worked into plans for the next building.

Members of the staff are grateful as well that they were able to recover memorabilia and historical items from the wrecked building. Just think of all the totems in Owasippe's dining halls and you get the idea of what kinds of treasured items we're talking about.

Hey! Are your OSA dues up to date?

Membership dues cover a variety of operational expenses including but not limited to... insurance premiums, mailings, state & federal fees, accounting fees, printing costs, etc.

PLEASE check the 4 digit number on your mailing label. According to our records, that is the last year you paid your dues.

Please send dues checks to: OSA, P.O. Box 7097 • Westchester, IL 60154

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I hereby submit my request to register as a member and I certify that I am 19 or older at the time of my application.

Furthermore, as a friend of Owasippe, I pledge my support of the OSAs purpose. I also understand that I must stay current with my dues in order to remain a member in good standing.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Birthdate: _____

email: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Staff, Service or Camping Years at Owasippe:

Year	Camp	Position

Employer: _____

Occupation: _____

Marital Status: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Children's Names & Ages: _____

Mail to:
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Westchester, IL 60154

New Member	\$20	_____
Renewal	\$15	_____
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Deadlines for submitting materials for publication are as follows:

- Spring (Issue 1) January 15
- Summer (Issue 2) April 1
- Fall (Issue 3) August 7
- Winter (Issue 4) October 15

Dates of Interest to OSA Members

February

- 17.....OSA Board Meeting
- 19.....Owasippe Leaders' Meeting #1 (at Our Lady Mother of the Church)
- 20.....Discount Deadline for Dinner Dance Tickets
- 21.....Gift Card Deadline

March

- 7.....31st OSA Dinner Dance & Annual Meeting
- 8.....Daylight Savings Begins (spring forward)
- 11.....Owasippe Leaders' Meeting #2 (at Five Holy Martyrs)
- 17.....St. Patrick's Day

April

- 1.....OSA Vibrations Copy Deadline

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for more information.





Shopping/Gift Card Fundraiser

Deadline:

Shopping/Gift card orders must be **postmarked** by February 21st. Orders received after the cut-off date will be returned because the cards must be ordered all at once.

**Send checks only (no cash)
& make them payable to the
Owasippe Staff Association**

Mail entire form and check to:

Tricia Groben
1044 Ontario, #2D
Oak Park, IL 60302

Questions?

Contact Tricia Groben at
tricia.groben@gmail.com
or 708-334-1100

Please note:

Shopping/Gift card denominations can change without notice. Orders must be made in multiples of the card amount. On rare occasions, cards become unavailable or are discontinued. If this occurs, we will refund your money.

Pick Up or Shipping:

You can pick up your order (free of charge) at the upcoming OSA Dinner Dance on March 7th.

Please note: If you choose to have your cards shipped to you, we will send them via Priority Mail with delivery confirmation.

Unfortunately the USPS will NOT insure gift cards through the mail. That being said, Priority Mail with delivery confirmation is still a very safe way to send the cards, and it's a flat fee of \$4.80 no matter what!

*Thank you to the 22 people who ordered gift cards in November.
The November gift card order raised \$689 for OSA programs!*



See order form on reverse side and thank you for supporting the OSA!



More Gift Card Choices for the Holidays!

Use cards for your own shopping or to give as gifts.

Perfect for employees, co-workers, teachers, teenagers and any other hard-to-shop-for people.

Name:		
Phone:		
Address:		
Vendor	Qty.	Total \$
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Dominick's \$25		
Jewel \$25		
Jewel \$100		
Walgreens \$25		
Car & Travel		
Amoco \$50		
BP Gas \$50		
Delta Sonic Car Wash \$16		
Gas City \$50		
Jiffy Lube \$25		
Marriott \$50		
Mobil \$50		
Shell \$25		
Speedway Gas \$25		
Restaurants, Coffee & Fast Food		
Applebees \$10		
Burger King \$10		
Caribou Coffee \$10		
Chili's \$25		
Chipotle Mexican Grill \$10		
Cold Stone Creamery \$10		
Dunkin Donuts \$10		
Lettuce Entertain You \$25		
Max and Ermas \$25		
Olive Garden / Red Lobster \$25		
Outback Steakhouse \$25		
Panera Bread \$10		

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Retail		
Amazon.com \$25		
American Eagle \$25		
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Bath and Body Works \$10		
Bed Bath and Beyond \$25		
Best Buy \$25		
Borders \$10		
Carson Pirie Scott \$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25		
Eddie Bauer \$25		
Express \$20		
Fannie May \$20		
Game Stop \$25		
Home Depot \$25		
Kohls \$25		
Lowe's Home Improvement \$25		
Macy's \$25		
Old Navy / Gap \$ 25		
Sam's Club / Walmart \$25		
Toys R Us \$20		
Ulta Cosmetics \$25		
Entertainment		
AMC Movie Theaters \$25		
Blockbuster Video \$10		
Classic Cinemas \$10		
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Total Amount Ordered		
+ Shipping (\$4.80 if applicable)		
Total Amount Enclosed		



You are cordially invited
to an evening of great fellowship, fine food,
good spirits and raffle drawings at the



*Owasippe Staff Association's
Dinner Dance & Annual Meeting
on March 7, 2009 from 6 - 11 p.m.*

at European Chalet Banquets • 5445 S. Harlem Ave., Chicago, IL 60638
www.eurochal.com

Ticket price is \$40 per person (in advance)
and includes a family-style dinner with an open bar.

NOTE: Ticket prices go up to \$50 after February 20th so make your reservations early!

There is limited parking available in the adjacent lot.

You can also park in Joe & Frank's Market on the corner of Archer & Harlem.

European Chalet Banquets is located three blocks south of the Stevenson Expressway (Interstate 55) on Harlem Avenue.
Midway Airport is only two miles to the east and out-of-town guests can easily find convenient accommodations.

For additional information, call
Candy Merritt at 708-354-9837 or e-mail candymerritt@yahoo.com

**REMINDERS: This is an 18 and over event. NO ONE under 21 will be served alcohol.
Responsible drinking and designated drivers are strongly encouraged.**

What are Golden or Green Tickets?

This year we are again using the "Golden Ticket/Green Ticket" system in a continued effort to speed up the check-in process. As mentioned above, each Dinner Dance ticket is \$40 if your reservations are postmarked by February 20th.

- A Golden Ticket will be mailed (or confirmed by phone) to each OSA member who has their ticket and membership dues paid for by February 20th.
- A Green Ticket will be mailed (or confirmed by phone) to each non-member who has their ticket paid for by February 20th.

Present your Golden or Green Ticket at the door and you're set to meet and greet friends!

NOTE: In order for this to work smoothly we will need the names of all the attendees in your party as well as an indication of their membership status (see order form).

See reverse for the order form and raffle info!



Dinner Dance Raffle Info.

Drawings to be held at the OSA Dinner Dance/Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 7th. Winners need not be present. Advance orders MUST be postmarked by February 20th.



OSA Dinner Dance & Raffle Order Form (Please Print)

OSA Member Name (s): _____
(Golden Tickets)

Non-Member Name (s): _____
(Green Tickets)

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

e-mail: _____

Item	Qty.	Price	Subtotal
<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner Dance Tickets (by 2/20)		x \$40	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner Dance Tickets (after 2/20)		x \$50	
<input type="checkbox"/> OSA Membership Dues Renewal		x \$15	
<input type="checkbox"/> OSA Life Membership		x \$350	
<input type="checkbox"/> Nintendo Wii (raffle)		x \$10	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ultimate Split-The-Pot (raffle)		x \$10	

Enclose a check payable to the Owasippe Staff Association in the amount of:



Mail to:
The Owasippe Staff Association
c/o Dinner Dance
P.O. Box 7097
Westchester, IL 60154