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Cross country boys and girls advance to state



Seven OBI runners, including three brand new to the sport and two middle schoolers, competed at the state cross country meet held at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington on November 13.

Eric Grant (left above), a seventh grader, was the fastest boy on the OBI varsity boys' team and came in third at the regional meet. At state, he finished 87th out of 210 Class A boys and ran his best time of the season. Looking over the post-race KHSAA records, Eric was also the fastest 7th grader who competed at state that day.

"It was an exciting experience. I thought it was really neat to run against a bunch of really good people," Eric said. He received the Most Valuable Runner trophy when the team awards were presented.

Coach **Lance Nutter** said, "Eric has never run cross country before and rose to the occasion very quickly. Every race he got faster and by the time he ended the season, he was running the 5K in 18.39. His family was very proud of him as were his coaches."

Junior **Adam Stockton** (right in photo to the left) completed his sixth season with the OBI cross country team. This was his fourth year in a row to represent OBI at state.

OBI's varsity girls qualified for state as a team thanks in part to sophomore **Melissa Swaar's** 7th-place regional finish. Swaar went on to finish 85th of 172 Class A girls at state.

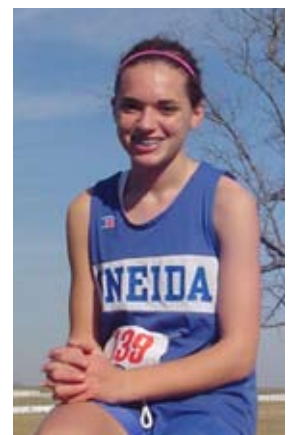
"When you get to the state level, you're not going to place really high unless you eat, sleep and breathe

cross country. The fact that you got to state and you're in the top percentage of runners in the state is really cool," said Melissa.

Nutter has coached Melissa on the track and field team which competes in the spring. He noted, "She has always been a decent two-miler, but this was her first year at the 5K race...Her skill challenged the rest of the team to work harder throughout the season."

Senior **Anujin Enkhbat** and freshmen **Taylor TerBurgh** and **Taylor Cochran** ran at the state meet for their second year in a row. This was Anujin's second year on the OBI cross country team, while TerBurgh and Cochran are four-year veterans. TerBurgh ran the second fastest time of the OBI girls at regionals and at state.

The third highest regional team score was earned by OBI seventh grader **Lauren Nichols**. This was her second year in cross country but her first year to run with the varsity team and have the chance to go to state. ■



OBI girls' varsity runners at state, left to right: **Anujin Enkhbat, Taylor Cochran, Lauren Nichols, Taylor TerBurgh, Melissa Swaar**

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Six students in All-Festival Chorus



Six Oneida choir members participated in the All-Festival Chorus in London, Kentucky November 21-23. The Chorus was sponsored by the Southeast Kentucky Music Educators Association.

The event involved three days of practicing with other top high school vocalists in the region, and culminated with a concert the evening of November 23.

The choir director for this year's chorus was **Dr. Greg**

Detweiler (pictured with OBI's singers), the Director of Choral Activities at Morehead State University. About a dozen other OBI choir members attended the final concert.

Singers auditioned to gain a spot in the chorus, then set about learning the new pieces. All-Festival Chorus members are expected to know the music before arriving. Oneida choir director, **Tim Cochran**, rehearsed with the students prior to the event. Freshman **Savannah Fallis** said the All-Festival selections were "more difficult than the music we usually do, but not exceedingly hard. I think we all understood what we were doing."

High school students who are selected for the All-Festival Chorus have the opportunity to join other gifted singers from the region in performing college-level music. Savannah recalled, "It was really awesome to be with a bunch of people who could stay on their parts and make awesome music together."

Cochran stated, "All-Festival is a really nice opportunity for some of our more experienced singers to get a chance to sing in a large honor choir with talented students from several schools. Also, working with a skilled university professor gives them a little taste of what choir is like at the college level. It was a great learning experience for all six of them."

Kiersten Zimmerman, a sophomore, said, "I liked that we were surrounded by people who understood and respected the importance of music and who were given a talent by God. It was fun to be in a room filled with people making beautiful music together." Kiersten also enjoyed the conductor's emphasis on singing each piece with intellectual and emotional empathy. "It was cool how it sounded when you understood the story behind the music," she added. ■

Bits and tidbits

Our mission statement

The mission of Oneida Baptist Institute is to provide a Christian living, learning and working environment in which each of its students, Christian or non-Christian, is diligently challenged to grow mentally, physically, socially and spiritually in order to acquire an *Education for Time and Eternity*.

Remember to clip and save for Oneida

OBI is still participating in three special promotions:

- Campbell's "Labels for Education"™
Give us the entire label and we'll clip it to the program's specifications.
- Tyson's "Project A+"™
Send entire labels from specially marked Tyson chicken products, worth 24¢ each.
- General Mills "Box Tops for Education"™
Specially marked General Mills box tops are worth 10¢.

Do you know of a teen in grades 6-12 who could benefit from our ministry?

If so, tell the family about OBI. Direct them to our web site for more information and admissions forms.
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In November our FFA hosted their annual faculty/staff **Harvest Breakfast** (left), assisted this year by the Student Government Association.

Also in November we had one of our **bus evacuation drills** (right). These drills are held quarterly to keep bus safety procedures fresh in the students' minds.





The
Oneida
Players

*cordially invite one and all
to our merry presentation of...*

The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood



by Mary Lynn Dobson

March 31, April 1, April 2
7:00 p.m. in the OBI Chapel



Be our guest at the *Alumni & Friends Banquet*
Saturday, April 2 at 5:00 p.m. in the dining room at Oneida Baptist

Please *R.S.V.P.* to OBI Alumni Director **Myrtle Cooke**
by telephone: 606-847-4111, ext. 268
by email: myrtlewebbcooke@yahoo.com



The Oneida Players' fall play, These Days by Greg Elsasser, was enjoyed by numerous guests November 4-6.



Great Job—Nathan Cahall (left), Anujin Enkhbat and Thomas Hamilton performed a skit highlighting OBI's 100+ year history at the annual meeting of the Kentucky Baptist Convention held at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Lexington on November 16th.

Athletic Hall of Fame nomination criteria



The purpose of the OBI Athletic Hall of Fame is to recognize and honor our outstanding coaches and athletes. The Hall of Fame Committee consists of the President, Principal(s), Athletic Director and coaches who have coached a state-recognized sport for five years or more at OBI and are still employed by our school. Nominations may be made by any person. The inductees will be chosen by the Athletic Hall of Fame Committee.

Requirements for eligibility for nomination of an athlete:

1. The nominee must have been outstanding in one or more sports while a student at OBI.
2. The nominee must have left OBI in good standing.
3. A nominee must have graduated from high school--not necessarily from OBI--at least five years before he/she is inducted into the Hall of Fame. Only his/her OBI achievements will be considered.

Requirements for eligibility for nomination of coaches:

1. Any coach whose team wins a KHSAA-sanctioned state championship is automatically considered for induction.
2. Any other coach to be considered must have been a varsity head coach at OBI for at least three years.

Additional requirements for eligibility for nomination:

1. Nominee must be present at the induction ceremony. If unable to attend due to illness, the nominee may be represented by a family member.
2. The nominee may be someone already deceased. In this event, he/she will be represented by a family member at the induction ceremony. Persons interested in nominating a former OBI athlete or coach should send information such as newspaper clippings, statistics, a picture of the nominee (preferably a photo made at or around the time the person was at OBI), and/or other items of documentation that make the nominee worthy of consideration. Enclose information with the nomination form on page 4.

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Holiday cheer at Oneida



Our cooks (below) prepared Thanksgiving dinner for 288 people (left). Many students, staff and guests stayed on campus for the holiday and feasted together.



OBI international students (left) enjoyed a Christmas banquet hosted by the Women on Mission of Oneida Baptist Church. International dishes were the favorites of the evening.



The school choir and Creative Ministries combined to share their talents in our annual Christmas concert in chapel. The program included vocal music, handbells and a dramatic song interpretation.



Oneida Baptist Institute Athletic Hall of Fame 2011 nomination form **Deadline for nomination is April 1, 2011**

Name of nominee _____

Decade of participation: 1930's 1940's 1950's 1960's 1970's 1980's 1990's 2000's

Sport(s) nominee participated in or coached _____

Your name _____

Your complete address _____

Your phone number _____

Why you are nominating this person (awards, records set, etc.) _____

See criteria on page 3. Fill out the above form, clip and mail to OBI, Attn: **Laura Stockton**, Athletic Director.