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Jen-Hsun Huang Hall dedicated

On August 2, 2019, Oneida Baptist Institute in Oneida, Kentucky dedicated Jen-Hsun Huang Hall, our new girls' dormitory and high school building.

This project was made possible by a generous benefactor -- **Jen-Hsun Huang**, Founder and CEO of NVIDIA, one of the world's leading technology companies. He and his wife, **Lori**, provided a matching grant of two million dollars for the facility.

Huang was Fortune's Business Person of the Year in 2017. He earned his undergraduate degree in Electrical Engineering from Oregon State University and a master's degree in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University.

He has ties to Oneida Baptist Institute stretching back to his childhood. At age nine in the mid-1970's, Huang and his brother lived at Oneida Baptist Institute, though Oneida then was only a high school. The boys at-

tended classes at the nearby Oneida Elementary School.

Huang and his family participated in the dedication service, and he shared many anecdotes from his Oneida days. Though he was only at the school for a brief time, he said, "Some of my happiest memories are of Oneida Baptist Institute."

Jen-Hsun Huang Hall is 34,000 square feet and houses 32 dorm rooms with a capacity for 128 girls, plus 12 classrooms. □



*Below: Mr. and Mrs. Huang joined their children, **Spencer** and **Madi-son**, and OBI student **Ruth Michelange Evrard** in cutting the ribbon.*

*Top right: **Mr. Gritton** presented a framed certificate to the Huangs.*

Below right: After the ceremony, OBI staff and guests toured the new dormitory and the high school area.



Back to school

(Clockwise) A family signed their son into the dorm to start the new school year. The girls gave their brand, new dormitory a "thumbs up." We had an open house for families of children in grades K-8. The Women on Mission of Oneida Baptist Church sponsored an International Tea for our international students. Please pray God's blessings on the 2019-20 year.



YOU can make a difference in a young life!

Do you know of a child in grade 7-12 who could benefit from the ministry we provide? Tell the family about OBI. Sometimes a teen's life is turned around because someone like you took the time to care.



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Meet some of our award-winning students

Most Outstanding, Studious, Improved and Brad Dorough Friendship Award



Our Most Improved sophomore boy for the school year 2018-19 was **Orrin Frost**, a day student from Oneida. He enrolled in the seventh grade, “mainly because of sports,” explaining that he has more of a chance to play here. His primary sports are basketball and baseball.

Orrin was surprised “a lot” to learn that he had won this honor. He believes he got the award because of his improved attitude, explaining, “I don’t argue with the teachers like I used to.” **Cathy Hughes** was one of Orrin’s teachers last year. She noted, “Throughout the year, he had his good and bad days, but every time he had a bad day, he’d come back the next day ready to work harder than before to make up for it.”

One of Orrin’s goals for this year is to keep his grades up so he can get his driver’s license. □



Our Most Outstanding and Most Studious freshman girl was **Aliceson Barger**, also from Oneida. She came to OBI in the seventh grade because “I wanted to get a Christian

education.” Aliceson has been pleased. “It’s a great school,” she said. “I like going to chapel every day.”

When asked why she thought she won Most Outstanding, Aliceson stated, “I try to reflect the best Christian attitude I can.” As for Most Studious, “It’s not without effort,” she explained. “I pay attention and do most of my work in class.”

Cheryl Monroe taught Aliceson last year. She stated, “Aliceson has a passion for learning that most young people do not have.” Faculty member **Earnestine Bruce** added, “Aliceson excels not only in academics, but also in her gentle nature and kindness to others which reveals her mature relationship with God. Her willingness to cooperate with teachers and peers makes working with her a pleasure.”

Aliceson concluded, “Oneida is a blessing!” □



Seungbum Lee (“**Steve**”) was Most Outstanding and Most Studious junior boy. He came to us from South Korea in 2015 because his brother had graduated from OBI.

He wanted to become an engineer, but in South Korea Steve had failing grades. Now he earns A’s.

Houseparent **Dianna Davidson** said, “In my opinion, Steve is the most studious young man in the dorm. I often worry about him not getting enough rest...At room check on numerous nights he will ask for another 30 minutes to finish an assignment. I will grant this due to his at-



The Brad Dorough Friendship Award is the only major award voted on by the student body. Our 2019 winner was sophomore **Abagile (“Abbi”) Mboya**. Abbi was born in Kentucky and grew up in Tanzania. At OBI since 2017, to Abbi, “OBI is like a family away from home.”

Abbi said she doesn’t make friends easily at first, “but I try to get to know people.” She explained that when she first came to OBI, “I didn’t talk to other people.” One girl in particular talked with Abbi, though, and that made an impression on her.

Abbi is a Christian, and allows her faith to guide her in her interactions with peers. “I try to always apply the Golden Rule,” she noted.

Sophomore **Madison Gritton** said, “Abbi always puts others’ needs before her own. She takes new kids under her wing, setting a good example and helping them find their classes.”

Winners of the Brad Dorough Friendship Award receive a full scholarship for the next school year. □

Congratulations, all award winners!

tentiveness to homework...but I always go back and check on him to make sure he has laid down for the night.”

A senior this year, Steve is looking forward to college. “I will come back to Oneida when I achieve my dream,” he promised with a smile. □



Campus construction continues. We have begun work on Dr. W.F. “Bud” and Kay Underwood Hall. The dining hall will seat 450+ people. There will be a prep kitchen, bulk food storage and refrigeration, and a bulk freezer. If you would like to help, send a check with “Underwood Hall” on the memo line, or “Donate Now” on our web site. □

Will we see YOU at Homecoming 2019?

Homecoming will be Saturday, October 19. We will have the traditional Hymn Sing at Oneida Baptist Church, inductions into the Athletic Hall of Fame, recognition of anniversary classes, a special welcome to the 50th anniversary class of 1969, a barbecue lunch, a Fall Festival for the kids, and plenty of time to visit with friends.

Our fall play will run the evenings of October 17 and 18 at 7:00 P.M. and October 19 at 5:00 P.M. So arrive early or stay after the big day to enjoy the show.

Questions? E-mail Amanda Roberts: amanda.roberts@oneidaschool.org

The following classes will have reunions in 2019:

Class of 1949	70 years
Class of 1954	65 years
Class of 1959	60 years
Class of 1964	55 years
Class of 1969	50 years
Class of 1974	45 years
Class of 1979	40 years
Class of 1984	35 years
Class of 1989	30 years
Class of 1994	25 years
Class of 1999	20 years
Class of 2004	15 years
Class of 2009	10 years
Class of 2014	5 years

OBI Drama presents

JUST ANOTHER SNOW DAY

by Bryan Starchman

October 17 at 7:00 PM

October 18 at 7:00 PM

October 19 at 5:00 PM Homecoming!

The Chapel at Oneida Baptist Institute
All are invited! Admission is FREE!



Can you share a story?

We are collecting stories about **Dr. Barkley Moore**, OBI ’58 and president 1972 - 1994. We especially need stories -- funny or serious -- about something he did or said. E-mail denise.spencer@oneidaschool.org or mail to Denise Spencer, Oneida Baptist Institute, P.O. Box 67, Oneida, Ky. 40972.

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*.

Where we are

Web: www.oneidaschool.org
Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/OBI.KY>
Twitter: https://twitter.com/Oneida_Baptist
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Mr. Gritton: <https://twitter.com/lgritton>

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 Shoppers with Plus cards can register at www.kroger.com. Add OBI (PJ703) as the non-profit you want to support.
Office Depot “Back to Schools”
 Give our school name or ID# 70040770 & we earn 5% of your purchase.