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Track/field goes to state contest



Four OBI athletes qualified for the state track/field contest this spring.

Katy Schroeder placed first at regionals in 300-meter hurdles, and **Erik Chesley** finished the 1600-meter run in first place. Head coach **Allie Valdeperas** said, "Katy is a natural all-around athlete. She can do anything she puts her mind to. Erik went to state last year, so I totally expected him to make it again this year. They both beat their personal bests."

Madison Gritton placed fourth in

discus at regionals and **Aubrey Baker** finished fifth in 300-meter hurdles, qualifying both for state competition.

"I am so proud of all of our athletes this season," Mrs. Valdeperas continued. "They worked hard and were amazing to work with. I can't wait to see what God does with them for next season." □

Staff members honored for long-time service



In May, we had our annual staff service awards. Staff were recognized for 5, 10, etc. years of ministry. **Jerry Pierce** and **Debbie Smith** each earned 30-year service awards.



Mr. Pierce began as assistant to the business manager. Four months later, he became the business manager. He said one thing he loves most is "knowing I am supporting a work that is not only educating young people about the normal school subjects, but about the greatest truth and the greatest treasure -- God Himself."

Mrs. Smith has served in the Tutoring Lab, library, and Alternative Learning Center. She enjoys "getting to know the people here, including volunteers." Why have she and her husband, **Kirby**, stayed so long? "The Lord wants us here," she said. □

Spring snapshots



Left to right:

Our lower school performed the musical, "Go, Go, Jonah."

We now have 38 new alumni from the Class of 2019!



Tie-dye was one of many activities at the Spring Fling.

Everyone dressed their best for the Junior/Senior Banquet.

Our summer work program included agriculture -- for which this hungry hog was grateful!

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Can you share a memory?

We are collecting stories about **Dr. Barkley Moore**, Class of 1958 and OBI president from 1972 - 1994. Do you have a memory to share? We especially need stories -- funny or serious -- about something he did or said. It could be something inspirational that he said in a message or to you personally. Please e-mail memories to denise.spencer@oneidaschool.org

or mail them to Denise Spencer, Oneida Baptist Institute, P.O. Box 67, Oneida, Ky. 40972. Thank you!

“Box Tops for Education” goes digital

THE NEXT GENERATION OF BOX TOPS IS HERE.
NO MORE CLIPPING. SCAN YOUR RECEIPT.



Big news about General Mills’ Box Tops for Education. Box Tops is going digital! A brand new, user-friendly app will allow you to scan your store receipt, find participating products, and instantly add to OBI’s online earnings.

Eventually there will be no more clipping and mailing of actual box tops. But for now, all clipped box tops will be honored until they

expire. Each box top -- physical or digital -- will still earn 10 cents. There will also be extra earnings with Bonus Box Tops.

And there’s more! During the transition this summer, some products will allow “double-dipping,” letting you earn \$ by clipping the physical box top AND scanning your receipt! For more info., visit <https://www.boxtops4education.com/sneakpeek> □

“Volunteer season” again



- ✓ Ladies from Westside Baptist Church worked in the Gift Shop.
- ✓ Ken Rowe of 9th & O Baptist Church is a painting contractor who has volunteered at OBI since 1993.
- ✓ Also from 9th & O, a dad/daughter duo grilled chicken for us to enjoy. Thank you to these and many other wonderful volunteers! □



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
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Want an easy way to give?

Go to our web site and click the “Give/Volunteer” tab, then the “Donate now” button to give via credit card, debit card or PayPal: <http://www.oneidaschool.org/support.shtml>

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OBI continues these programs:

Tyson’s “Project A+”™
Send entire labels from specially marked Tyson products, worth 24 cents each. <http://projectaplus.tyson.com/>
General Mills “Box Tops for Education”™
Box Tops are digital! Each is still worth 10 cents with points-to-cash. Check it out: <http://www.boxtops4education.com/>
Amazon Smile donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to OBI. <http://smile.amazon.com/about>
Kroger “Community Rewards”
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.

“Come to the Table”

Through stories, we are celebrating our OBI community as we look forward to the W. F. “Bud” and Kay Underwood Dining Hall.

I once enjoyed my lunch and company so much that I got comfortable and took my glasses off, laying them on my lunch tray. At that time, you took your tray to the dish room window and the workers emptied the remains in the slop bucket. By the time I remembered where I left my glasses, they had been fed to the pigs on the farm for dinner! ~ Submitted by Carol Frisby

For information about the new facility and the Underwoods, and to read more stories: <http://www.oneidaschool.org/the-bridge.shtml>



You can share your story about the OBI dining hall: tamara.cochran@oneidaschool.org □

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.



Homecoming 2019
October 17-19: Fall play
October 19: Alumni Homecoming & Fall Festival
Plan to join us for a great time!



Saying goodbye -- for now

This summer we have said “goodbye” to three beloved former OBI staff members. We thank God for their lives, and for their lasting legacy in this special place.



Dan Midkiff with his wife, Pattie, at their retirement party in 2012.

Daniel Boone Midkiff, Jr., age 87, passed away June 29 at Landmark of Laurel Creek, Manchester.

Dan served at OBI for 22 years before retiring in 2012. Even after retirement, he continued to help the school in various ways.

Dan grew up on a farm and always loved agriculture. He had worked on ranches in Texas for 15 years before coming to Oneida. He served on the OBI farm for several years

before becoming our Transportation Director, responsible for maintaining all of the school’s vehicles.

George Eugene Goeddey of Carrollton, Illinois died on July 3 at Jerseyville Manor Care Center in Jerseyville, Illinois. He was 77.

George and his wife, **Kathy**, began volunteering at OBI in 1995. A leader in missions both in his church and in his association, George coordinated mission trips to Oneida.

After George retired in 2004, the Goeddeys joined our staff as full-time volunteers. President **Dr. W. F. Underwood** suggested George coordinate our volunteer program.

When health issues led the Goeddeys to return home, George continued to bring groups to Oneida as long as he was physically able.



George Goeddey working in 2004

Elizabeth Ann (Beth) Alexander, 71, of Oneida, Kentucky passed away on June 30 at her home. Beth was from Alabama, and had taught in our lower grades in the past. When OBI changed to grades 6-12, Beth returned to Alabama to teach. Then when we expanded our program to include grades K-5 for local students, she came back to teach at Oneida. □



Beth Alexander

He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away. He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!”

~ Revelation 21:4-5a