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A double blessing

Dedication of one new dormitory and groundbreaking for another

On July 20 our campus welcomed contractors, former staff, alumni, students, local friends, and other visitors to our combination ceremonies -- dedication of the brand, new Carnahan-Daugherty Hall and ground-breaking for Jen-Hsun Huang Hall.

Carnahan-Daugherty Hall houses a 200-bed boys' dormitory on the top two floors and the A.B. and Irene Colvin Learning Center for grades 6-8 on the lower level. The ribbon cutting for the Learning Center was done by **Cynthia Colvin Weller**, Dr. & Mrs. Colvin's daughter. The ribbon for Carnahan-Daugherty Hall was cut by by **Donald Price**, a sophomore from Michigan.

The new dorm is named after **Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carnahan** and **Mr. Wesley Daugherty**. The first Carnahan Hall, a girls' dormitory, was made possible by a \$10,000 gift from the Carnahans in 1905. The building was demolished and rebuilt as a boys' dorm in 1968. In 2013, OBI received the largest donation in our history from the estate of Mr. Daugherty. He had visited OBI with his church several times and loved the Oneida ministry.

The girls' dorm project also began with a generous benefactor -- **Mr. Jen-Hsun Huang**. At age nine in the mid-1970's, Huang and his brother were allowed to live at OBI, though Oneida then was only a high school. The boys attended classes at Oneida Elementary School. Like Carnahan-Daugherty Hall, Huang Hall will be a combination dormitory and classroom building. □



Above: Trustee **Steve Young**, president **Larry A. Gritton, Jr.** (OBI '93), **Cynthia Colvin Weller**, and **Donald Price**. **Below left:** Ready for the ground-breaking at the site of the new girls' dormitory. **Below:** The crowd gathered for the ribbon-cutting ceremony outside Carnahan-Daugherty Hall, followed by a tour of the new facility.



Summer snapshots



Summer is always a busy time at Oneida. (clockwise from above) **The summer work program** gives some students a chance to earn room/board fee reduction by working for the school. **"Harmony in the Hills"** was a week-long storytelling workshop hosted by OBI and sponsored by "Monkey Dumplings," a Clay County storytelling group. **Volunteers** abound every summer, and we are so grateful. This summer the big project at the Gift Shop was making curtains for the new boys' dormitory, Carnahan-Daugherty Hall. □



Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament October 20th
 OBI Homecoming & Fall Festival October 21st
 Fall play "Moriah Morning" October 19th, 20th, 21st

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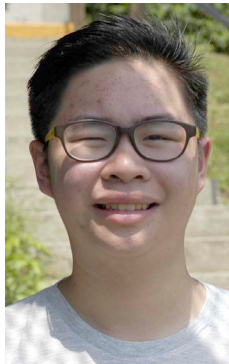
Win was our Most Outstanding sophomore boy for 2017. It was his second year to win a top award; in 2016 he was Most Outstanding and Most Studious.

Win is from Thailand. He has participated in golf, tennis, swimming, Student Ambassadors, National Honor Society and choir. He is an A/B student, and also does well in the dormitory. He stated that he has not been given any dorm disciplinary hours for two years.

Vicky Filiatreau, our International Admissions Director, said, "Win is a compassionate and gentle young man. He is glad to help others...Win has helped me in communication with other international students, and that has been a huge help."

OBI Choral Director, **Tim Cochran**, added, "If every student were like Win, there would be no shortage of teachers anywhere ever. He is the very definition of outstanding. Win is polite, kind, smart, courteous, thoughtful, well-liked by both peers and adults, and completely trustworthy in every way."

Win is grateful to God for this achievement. "I give God the honor," he said. He believes he received the award because "God wanted me to have it." □



Danielle was named 2017 Most Studious seventh-grade girl. She is one of our local students..

Danielle was surprised to win the Most Studious honor. When asked why the faculty and support staff might have voted for her, Danielle suggested, "I'm not a troublesome child, and I work silently."

Teacher **Emily Kelley** said, "Danielle works hard to understand the concepts presented in class ...She asks questions to clarify any details she does not understand...and will work until she has figured it out."

Faculty member **Rena Cushman** agreed: "Danielle seizes every opportunity to learn. She consistently turns in her homework, studies for tests, and gives positive feedback in classroom discussions. She seems to have set a high standard for herself in most areas, from perfecting her cursive penmanship to reaching her reading goals...Not only is she studious, but she's also sweet. She rarely walks past me without extending her arms for a hug and asking me how I'm doing. I'm thankful to get the opportunity to work with Danielle. I have no doubt Danielle is going to bring good things to this world." □



Autumn was our Most Improved sophomore girl for 2016-17. She is a Kentucky student who enrolled in August 2016.

Autumn has been in pep band and choir, and is now trying drama. She also supervises a girls' work crew, and is a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Why did the faculty and staff select Autumn for the Most Improved award? "When I came, I was a really angry kid," she recalled. "I got into some trouble here. I didn't want to go home, so I straightened up and started doing what I was supposed to." It wasn't easy. "The structure here was hard for me to get used to," she said.

Several houseparents in particular helped her --

Bobby Nelson and **Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Brown**. Nelson stated, "When Autumn came to OBI, she was a mess. After getting to know her, I see how multi-talented she is with pep band, choir, and drama. Now she is supervising the all-girl cleaning crew in the new middle school. I say, 'mess to success!'"

Now Autumn knows that "I've got more opportunities here than at home." □



Jindu received the Brad Dorough Friendship Award, earning him a full room and board scholarship for this year. This award is the only major honor voted on by our student body.

A senior from Colorado, Jindu has been at OBI for two years. He has played soccer and basketball, and has run track. He has also been

active in Student Ambassadors and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

In voting for the Brad Dorough Friendship Award, students are told to choose someone who has been friendly to them. Jindu explained that he does not have to go out of his way to be nice; "I've always been like that. If someone needs help, I'll be there." Nevertheless, he admitted, "I was shocked" when his name was called in chapel as the award recipient.

One of Jindu's friends, **Tenni**, described Jindu as "like a brother to me." He believed the students voted for Jindu because, "He's really nice. He's a really good person. He has a good heart; he's unselfish. Jindu knows the Lord. He deserved this, in my opinion."

Jindu values the friends he has at OBI. "I feel like the friendships I have here are going to last a long time," he said. □

A closer look: an OBI volunteer



Terry Pace (right) had never gone on a mission trip until he came to Oneida in 1999 -- and he's been coming ever since.

Terry volunteered on the OBI farm for three weeks in June with **Earl Dean Thomason** (left). A volunteer group from their church, First

Baptist in Tuscumbia, Alabama, joined them on their third week. The two men came ahead in order to refurbish the farm's grain dryer, a project that would take longer than one week to complete. In addition to haying, bush hogging, welding, and other jobs, Terry has been doing maintenance and repair work on OBI's grain dryer every year for the last 10 years. This year, he wanted to completely overhaul it, since he could come for the amount of time needed to tackle the job.

Having retired after 41 years at his job with a utility company in January 2017, Terry was excited to be able to spend more than one week at Oneida. His daughter, **Lori**, and granddaughter, **Summer**, arrived with the Tuscumbia church group and worked in other areas on the farm and main campus while Terry repaired the grain dryer. This was Lori's second trip and Summer's first trip to OBI. They testified to Terry's love of Oneida by saying, "He gets attached to the kids... He always took his vacation time and came up here."

Terry stated, "I love it here." For Terry, it's all about the young people that he meets at OBI. "The kids are hungry for attention and for love, and I see it," he said. Earl added, "You come here, and you see what they're doing for these kids ... the work they're doing for Jesus Christ; that's the most important part. If I can help a little bit—one week, two weeks, three weeks—that's what I can do," he said. □

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*.

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OBI Drama
presents ...

Moriah Morning
by Denise Day Spencer
Based on The Crucible by James Anderson Burns

October 19 & 20 at 7:00 PM
October 21 at 5:30 PM
OBI Chapel

All are invited! Admission is free!