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Tribal leaders attend "Update From Capitol Hill" with McCain and Flake; McCain is pushing for H.R. 1410 hearing

By Joshua Jovanelly
Gila River Indian News

Sen. John McCain said he is pushing for a Senate committee hearing on H.R. 1410, the Keep the Promise Act, which would prevent the Tohono O'odham Nation from opening its proposed casino near Glendale.

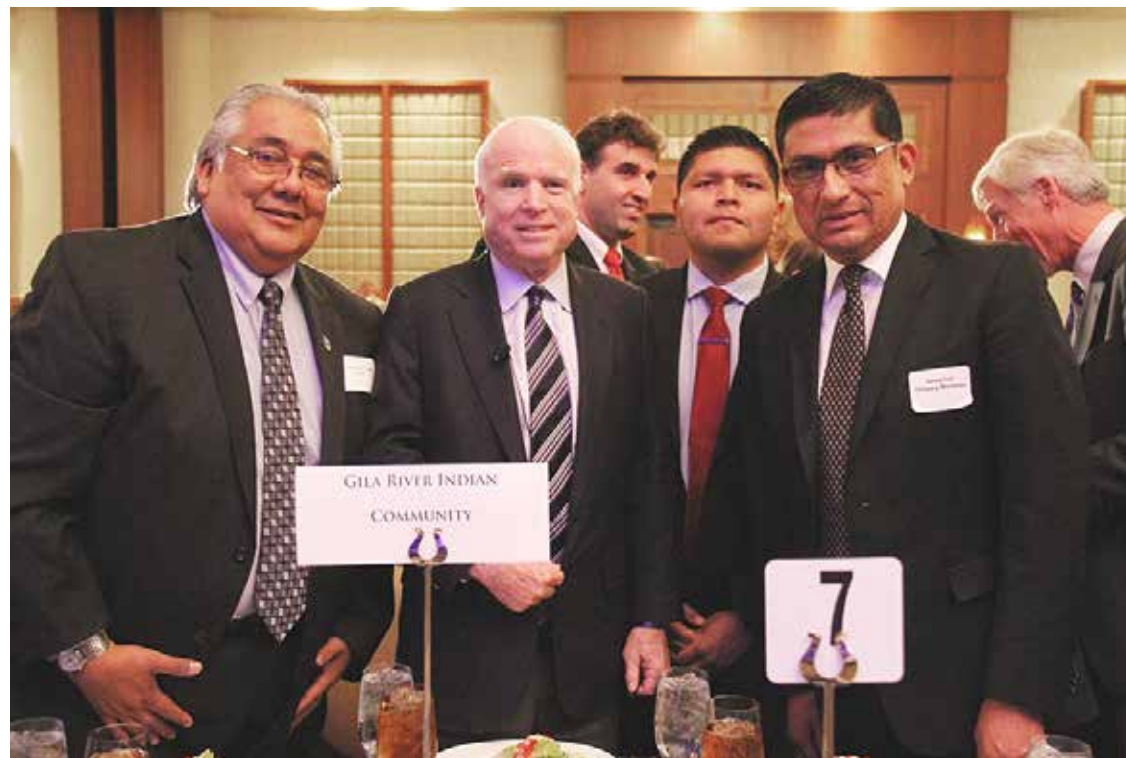
McCain spoke to reporters after a luncheon event hosted by the Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry at the Sheraton Phoenix Downtown Hotel in which McCain and fellow Arizona Sen. Jeff Flake gave an "Update From Capitol Hill."

The bill, which passed the House of Representatives last year, is awaiting a hearing in the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs before any further action can be taken. McCain sits on the committee, which is chaired by Sen. John Tester (Montana - D).

McCain said he's requested for a hearing and spoke about the divisiveness of the Tohono O'odham Nation's casino plan.

"We have asked for a hearing in the committee, but some of the people that are against the casino — such as the government of Glendale, the mayor is against it, and some of the city council are for it — it helps if you're dealing with a united front in these things," McCain said. "But we will continue to press for a hearing and see what we can get done."

About 600 people, including business and political leaders,



From right, Councilman Dale Enos poses with Arizona Sen. John McCain, Councilman Devin Redbird and Gov. Gregory Mendoza at the luncheon event sponsored by the Gila River Indian Community.

attended the April 25 event. The Gila River Indian Community was a title sponsor of the luncheon.

At the center table, Sen. McCain sat next to Gov. Gregory Mendoza and Councilman Dale Enos (D3), where they shared conversations during the meal. Council members Devin Redbird (D7) and Carol Schurz (D2) also attended.

In a written statement, Mendoza shared his enthusiasm for the constructive discussions he had with the senators.

"I was honored to attend the Chamber of Commerce luncheon last week with Sen. McCain and Sen. Flake, both of whom have witnessed the Community's ongoing dedication to add to the general economic, cultural and social well-being of the Phoenix metro area," Mendoza said.

"Our conversation made clear to me the shared objective of both senators of making the Phoenix metro area the best place in the country to work and raise a family, an objective that I share on behalf of the Commu-

nity."

The Keep the Promise Act would cap the number of Phoenix metro area casinos at its current number until the gaming compacts are renegotiated in 2027, a promise GRIC contends was implicitly stated in the voter-approved Proposition 202. The Tohono O'odham Nation wants to build a casino on unincorporated city land it purchased near Glendale. Glendale's city council had been officially opposed to the casino until March when the council voted 4-3 to

enter formal negotiations with the Tohono O'odham Nation.

With some in Glendale's leadership seemingly warming to the casino plan, passage of the Keep the Promise Act is one avenue GRIC is exploring to stop its construction. Mendoza joined other tribal and city leaders in expressing the importance of the bill's passage to McCain.

"Indeed, that is why I also conveyed the Community's commitment, along with other leaders of Arizona tribes, to work together to ensure enactment of H.R. 1410, legislation that would guarantee to the residents of the state that all of the Arizona tribes who benefit from the gaming compacts with Arizona keep the promises that they made to gain passage of Proposition 202 in 2002," Mendoza said.

"On behalf of the Community, I am grateful for the support of both senators on this and other Community issues."

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GRIC departments share Earth Day in Sacaton

By Mikhail Sundust
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On a perfectly sunny spring day in Sacaton, under the lush green trees of Ira Hayes Memorial Park, Gila River Community members couldn't have asked for better conditions to celebrate Earth Day.

Ira Hayes Park buzzed with activity. Over 200 Community members dropped by April 22 to pick up a free shirt and a free lunch. More than a dozen informational booths dotted the park lawn with presenters from the Department of Environmental Quality, District 3 Recreation, Cultural Resources Management Program, Huhugam Heritage Center, Gila River Utility Authority and more.

The Arizona Game and Fish booth was a main attraction. Mike Demlong with the Wildlife Education Department brought several

wild animals including a red-tailed hawk, a raven, a Gila monster and two small desert tortoises.

"All of the animals I have here today, there's something wrong with them and they can't be released back into the wild for one reason or another," said Demlong, as a couple of children played with the baby desert tortoise in the park grass.

The animals he featured came from the Adobe Mountain Wildlife Center. "We call them animal ambassadors because for a lot of people it's the first time they've seen a red-tailed hawk or a raven up close." Even Gov. Gregory Mendoza stopped by to observe the creatures.

"We appreciate being invited," Demlong said. "Some of the money from the casino gaming goes to wildlife conservation so in an indirect way, we get money from the

casinos to help us do this so it's nice to pay it back."

Another popular booth was the one for the volunteer community group Vehsig Jevjed. The group is known mostly for the cleanup work they do, picking up garbage and beautifying the Community.

The two group members working the booth at Earth Day were Alyssa Dixon and Annie Gutierrez, Miss Gila River 1st Attendant. They said "Vehsig Jevjed" means balanced land or even land. "We're trying to even it out. Like, take out the trash. You know, trash gets built up so we're trying to take that out and just clean [it] up and make it better again," said Dixon.

The group is also balancing another project, a co-op garden. Dixon said their primary focus for now is "just trying to get the community garden in District 5 going."



Althea Walker, Caution Coyote, Will Antone and Chris Long pose at the Gila River Earth Day event at Ira Hayes park, April 22.

Community members at Ira Hayes Park enjoyed music, giveaways and craft projects. Some people cooked hotdogs in solar ovens and DEQ helped guests make birdfeeders out of used plastic bottles.

They also raffled off potted plants such as flowers and small trees.

This year, April 22 marked the 44th anniversary of Earth Day, which began in 1970 when Wisconsin

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Congratulations



Please join me in congratulating my daughter, Maureen D. Jones-Lugo, on an awesome accomplishment!! She graduated on April 24, 2014 from Grand Canyon University with a Bachelors Degree in Criminal Justice! She also accomplished receiving her Associates Degree in Criminal Justice from Brookline College prior to this. She put her mind to it, got down to it and did it with hard work and dedication!!

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Letter to Editor

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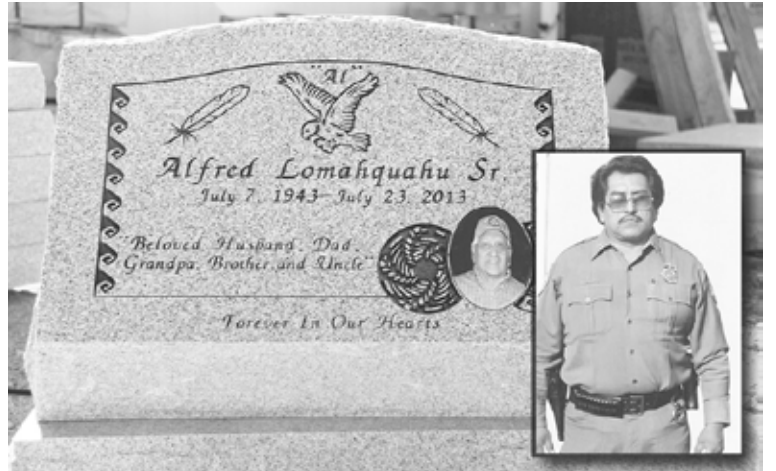
Late police captain receives headstone donation

Alfred Lomaquahu was a decorated police officer and a well-respected, active member of his community. Captain Lomaquahu passed away on July 23 of last year and was laid to rest in Blackwater.

At the April 16 Council meeting last month, family members of the late Alfred Lomaquahu introduced themselves to the Council members and thanked them for the recent donation of a long-awaited headstone to grace the late Lomaquahu's gravesite.

In a letter supplementing their appearance at Council, the family wrote: "We would like to express our [gratitude] and prayers for your generous contributions from the Gila River Indian Community throughout the loss of Alfred...We appreciate your thoughtfulness in allowing us to complete [the] final closure of his resting place as his headstone is set down and blessed... Sincerely, Diana Lomaquahu, Carol French and family."

The family presented a short



biography of Captain Lomaquahu's life to the Community Council.

He was also involved in the community," Do-reen Atkinson told the Council. "Alfred was known as 'Captain Loma.' While working for the Gila River Indian Community, the elderly had a lot of respect for him."

Alfred Lomaquahu was born in 1943 in Hopi land. He began his career as a police officer for the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Flagstaff in 1975. He quickly worked his way up through the ranks to sergeant and lieutenant.

A family bio for Alfred says he worked for the Coolidge school district for 17 years after leaving the police force. It continues, "After retiring in 2010, he did volunteer work for Blackwater Community School and helped out with his granddaughters' Girl Scout activities by building and pulling their floats in parades and assisting in their fundraising."

In 1982, Lomaquahu was promoted to captain and was transferred to the BIA Pima Agency in Gila River, where he served for four years. He retired from the force while serving on the Havasupai reservation in 1988.

"Alfred Loma has served the Indian community with integrity, strength and honor," said Atkinson. "There are no words to express his influence in the lives he touched. He is greatly missed by his family."

"Alfred was not only a dedi-

The new headstone was laid at Alfred's gravesite the morning of April 19 and his widow, Diane Lomaquahu, was presented with an American flag in his honor.



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COMMUNITY UPDATES BY GRIN STAFF

Here are some regular updates on the on-going issues pertaining to the Gila River Indian Community.

Glendale casino and Keep the Promise updated at second informational meeting

As Gila River continues to closely monitor the Tohono O'odham Nation's plans to build a casino in Glendale, another Community Meeting was held to update Gila River members on the legal battle against the Tohono O'odham Nation and the campaign to "Keep the Promise" with H.R. 1410.

Held at the Sheraton Wild Horse Pass on April 19, this meeting also covered the background of the current tribal gaming compact, the narrow passing of Prop 202 and what the Community could possibly expect if the Tohono O'odham Nation is successful with their

plans to build a proposed casino in the West Valley.

As with the previous informational meeting, held Jan. 11 at the same location, Community members had the opportunity to prepare letters to Senators John McCain and Jeff Flake in support of H.R. 1410.

"This particular matter is a direct threat to our community," said Gov. Gregory Mendoza in his opening remarks.

Gila River General Counsel Linus Everling juxtaposed the history of the current Arizona Tribal-State Gaming Compact with the

Tohono O'odham Nation's "bad faith actions," which include confidentially buying land in the Phoenix Metropolitan area for a casino, while simultaneously agreeing that no other casinos (limited to 7) would be built in the Phoenix area.

Senior Counsel Thomas Murphy covered two topics: what will happen if the Glendale casino opens and what GRIC members can do to support the Keep the Promise Act.

Murphy said if the casino is built in Glendale, GRIC loss of revenues for gaming could be as much as 30 percent, which would

reduce operating and capital projects and jobs and services for Community members. The rural tribes that allocate gaming machines to casinos in the Phoenix market also stand to lose significant revenue.

In order to support the Keep the Promise Act, attendees were urged to write letters to Arizona senators. The Keep the Promise Act prohibits gaming for all tribes in the Phoenix metropolitan area on land taken into trust after April 9, 2013. The bill passed the U.S. House of Representatives and is awaiting a hearing by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

Murphy also said that the Community is awaiting two major decisions, one from the Department of Interior and the other from the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. The Department of Interior must issue a new ruling on the Tohono O'odham Nation's land into trust application and the eligibility of the Glendale property.

Meanwhile, Gila River's lawsuit, joined by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the State of Arizona, against the Tohono O'odham Nation is at the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Earth Day

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sen Senator Gaylord Nelson stirred the nation into action for the sake of our planet's health.

For the past 16 years, the GRIC Department of Environmental Quality has organized and hosted an Earth Day event in Gila River.

"Our duty is to try to educate as much as possible," said Althea Walker, with DEQ. But the Earth Day celebration and outreach projects are only a small part of what DEQ does for the Community. "There's so much going on and that's why we want to do events like these," she said.

Walker said, "Our four programs are water quality, air quality, pesticides and waste. So anything that's impacting the environment... in our Community that has to do with those four areas...whether something needs to be cleaned up or adapted so the environment isn't impacted, we're there."

"We have some cleanup projects going on," she said, referring to efforts to clean up chemical spills and to maintain water quality.

"You know, we may not have so much water flowing on the surface but the Gila River does begin to flow on the west side of the Community," Walker said, "so we've been doing a lot of wildlife restoration out there."

DEQ is working to restore the Gila River and Pee Posh wetlands to their original glory by taking out "invasive" species of trees. "We took out a lot of Salt Cedar [trees] and we're trying to put native plants into the wetlands and just try to bring it back to its natural state," Walker said.

The department is also combatting illegal dumping, trying to advance a recycling program across the reservation and working with the City of Phoenix to clean up waterways. Walker explained, "The water flows through Phoenix first before it gets to us and so a lot of that trash ends up in the waterways..."

Back at Ira Hayes Park, Gov. Mendoza wished the Community members a happy Earth Day and thanked the DEQ employees for their hard work and dedication.

"Community members, we're truly blessed with a beautiful community," he said, "and it's really going to be up to us as individuals to protect what we have here, which is the natural resources, the natural beauty of our Community."

AMBER Alert issued for Coolidge boy, found safe

Eric Warrior Smith, Jr., a 2-year-old boy from Coolidge who police say was abducted by his babysitter Tuesday night, was found abandoned but safe and in good health in Laveen early Wednesday morning.

Shortly before midnight, April 29, the Gila River Police Department issued an AMBER Alert for Smith, telling people to be on the lookout for a light blue 2006 Dodge

Caravan.

Just a few hours later, around 5 a.m., the boy was found in the van, abandoned by his alleged abductor in the desert near Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino. He was taken to the hospital for precautionary measures but appeared fine.

The boy was apparently taken from his home by his babysitter, Anna Marie Johnson, 19, Tuesday afternoon while his parents were

at work, police said. When Smith, Sr. returned home, he searched for Johnson and his son for several hours around the neighborhood before flagging down a GRPD officer on patrol.

Johnson is a relative of the boy and was family temporarily.

The boy's parents were greatly relieved to have found their son but did not know why Johnson would have taken Smith from his home.

"We don't have a motive. We don't have anybody to provide us with a motive," said Detective Robert Hawks of the GRPD.

Authorities are still searching for Johnson (at press time for this publication), who was not on the scene when the boy was found.

Johnson is 5 feet, 11 inches tall, 180 pounds with black hair and brown eyes. She is of Native American descent.

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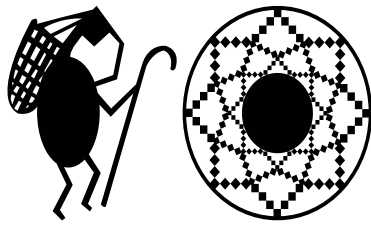
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SOMETHING TO BE TOLD OR TALKED ABOUT

As I edit this article, the thought came to mind that maybe I've become repetitive in my writings about our O'otham history. But I write to honor those who also walked before us on the banks of the Gila and Salt Rivers, stood and served strong, allowing us to enjoy our lives today. These names may be your departed relatives; they are all our hajun.

Arizona territory in 1912 formed an all-Indian combat unit composed of students and former students of the United States Industrial Indian School at Phoenix. In the spring of 1916, Company F- as part of the Arizona National Guard - was sent to guard our southern border. Anna Moore Shaw recalled Sergeant Joshua Morris walking into the school dining room and selecting individuals for this duty. Her future husband Ross Shaw was among the individuals chosen. When the U.S. entered World War I in April of 1917, this Native group became part of the 158th Infantry Regiment. Eventually it became part of the 40th Infantry Division, better known as the Sunshine Division. Within months, 64 Phoenix Indian

School students and alumni volunteered to serve in the Army and Navy.

Isaac Jose joined the Navy as a shipwright or an onboard carpenter. Within a year he arrived in France as part of the U.S. Naval Aviation Forces.

Mr. Stewart Lewis had been a student at the Industrial Indian School (Phoenix Indian School). A photo dated April 1, 1916, shows Stewart Lewis with fellow O'otham: Isaac Porter, Daniel King, Dale Laidlow, Vincent Thomas and Tohono O'odham Peter Blaine. Gee Gage is also shown, who would later serve as the fifth tribal governor of Gila River. Stewart Lewis joined the Navy in July of 1918 and served for three years. When his enlistment was finished he returned to Phoenix Indian School and worked in the printing office.

The Arizona National Guard was reorganized in 1924 and Company F was allowed to draw its members from Phoenix Indian School. Mr. Lewis earned his commission as Captain and served until 1940. This Indian company was allowed to conduct its own drills, maintain their own ar-

mory, and have their own inspections. During this time, the company won numerous military competitions. On the day after his release from the Arizona National Guard, Captain Lewis enlisted with the United States Air Force on September 16, 1940 and served until 1945.

His son, Floyd "Buddy" Lewis, penned a short fictional story based on his father's experiences. The book is "The Foundered Mule," published in 2006. It is a quick read with eye-catching artwork by Tim Terry.

Two other Phoenix Indian School alumni gave the ultimate sacrifice in World War I, Wallace Anton of Salt River and Lee Rainbow, a Yuma or Quechan. Mr. Anton was killed at the Battle of Argonne Forest. This battle was very costly -over 26,000 U. S. troops lost their lives. Mr. Anton was killed two days before the armistice was signed. A dormitory at Phoenix Indian School was named in his honor. In 1922, construction began on Memorial Hall and a War Monument which both still stand at the Indian school site. It is now called Steele Indian School Park, located at Central and Indian School Road. Emry Kopta, a Czechoslovakian/Austrian immigrant who was adopted into a Hopi family, created the monument which lists all Phoenix Indian School alumni servicemen.



"Back in the day" - the 1970s - FM radio station KJZZ had an "Indian" night. DJ Nick Blackbear would often end the night with the Zuni Midnighters' "My Land".

... You took my land; you made it your country...

... You say, "Go fight for your country" I say, I'll fight for my land Don't get me wrong, I'll fight - I'll fight for my country But first, my land - then my country...

To all veterans and those currently serving, I respect your service. I did not serve in the military, but family members and relatives did, and we were raised to honor the flag and veterans. Thank you.

<https://twitter.com/mslaboch/status/432904920375640064> (YouTube video of the song)

Information was taken from "Peoples of the Middle Gila" by John Wilson; "A Pima Past" by A. M. Shaw; "Phoenix Indian School" by D. Parker and The "Foundered Mule" by F. "Buddy" Lewis.

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Submitted by Teresa Villescaz
Communications Supervisor GRPD

Gila River dispatchers observed National Public Safety Telecommunicators week between April 13-19, which included the 3rd Annual Telecommunicators Recognition Awards Banquet. Special guests included GRPD Chief Kathleen Kirkham, GRRD Chief Thomas Knapp, Community Manager of Public Safety Division Nada Celaya and Arizona State 9-1-1 Coordinator Barbara Jaeger. All the dispatchers received appreciation awards and door prizes. Gerri Hughes was named Dispatcher of the Year for 2013. Team Player of the Year was Brian Black Beaver and EMD Dispatcher of the Year was Lisa Brown. Special thanks to the following sponsors:



Photo Courtesy of Teresa Villescaz

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Casa Grande boxing gym has special offer for Gila River youth



Abel Ramos delivers a rib-crushing blow to his brother Jesus in a practice session at the Ramos family boxing gym in Casa Grande.

By Mikhail Sundust
Gila River Indian News

The Ramos Boxing Gym is a small, family-owned boxing school tucked in a little, nondescript storage garage on the south side of Casa Grande. There is no name above the front entrance and when I walk in, a one-two combination of sweat and polyester hits me square in the nose.

"That's the smell of a boxing gym, you know," said Jesus Ramos with a laugh. He's the gym's owner and head coach.

It's not fancy or flashy but the Ramos brothers have built a reputable school here on Jimmie

Kerr Boulevard. And, despite whatever preconceived notions one might hold of a boxing gym, it's a friendly place to be.

The gym is often packed full of people of all age groups. Walking past the punching bag area and around the boxing ring, which alone fills half the room, Jesus leads me out the back loading bay door. Nearly everyone I pass smiles and waves hello before returning to their workout.

Outside, a big guy lifts weights and a group of kids jump rope and practice box jumps. Jesus leads me to another, even smaller storage unit, where, he says, the kids have their own

space to work out. Three punching bags and two speed bags line the wall. We sit here for a while as Jesus tells me about his gym.

Jesus invited me to the gym because he's trying to recruit more young people and he has a special offer for Gila River youth: "We want to bring three kids for four months and maybe that's going to open [the door] for more if they want to come."

The deal is for kids ages 8-15 (but a little older is okay). Typically, gym fees are \$65 per month so Jesus is asking for serious inquiries only. No prior boxing experience is necessary but his only two requirements are transportation and dedication. If someone wants to take him up on his offer but can't or won't make it to the gym regularly, he'd prefer to give the free pass to someone else.

The gym follows a weekly schedule: Mondays and Wednesdays they do mitt work; Tuesdays and Thursdays are for sparring. Friday is cross fit workouts and weight lifting.

Additionally, they try to make it to amateur boxing tournaments once a month. The most recent one they attended was a boxing tournament in Tucson the weekend of Saturday, April 26.

If you meet the requirements and are interested, give Jesus a

call at 520-423-7621 for more information.

Jesus and his brothers built this gym with little to no help over nearly a decade. Everything you see there was paid for out of their pockets or from donations. Jesus is the leader but two of his brothers, José and Efrain, coach too.

Jesus, 37, started boxing in his teens. "I had like 26 fights [in the amateurs]," he told me. He took a few years hiatus and started up again in his late 20s but discovered it was harder to get back into than he'd expected.

"When we were training, the little ones came, our little brothers," he said. "They wanted to train. So...I told my older brother, 'You know what, we're too old for this...Why don't we train them!' And that's how it all started." He's been coaching for about eight years now.

"We started training at the garage at my house in Arizona City," he said, but now he lives in Casa Grande. The gym has been at this location, the storage place, for almost a year but already Jesus is looking to move it again because his school is growing so rapidly.

"Right now we're trying to get a bigger place at the Outlets," he said, referring to the old

Tanger Outlet Mall along the I-10 at Jimmie Kerr. It has more space but he's still hoping to negotiate the monthly rental price down.

Jesus was born in Mexico and moved to Pennsylvania when he was 10 years old. "That's where [my brother] Abel was born," he said.

At 23, Abel is the star of the Ramos family boxing gym. He turned pro in 2010 and has a no-loss record. An extra-large promotional poster of Abel under stadium lights looms over the Ramos gym.

Abel's next major fight is May 10 in Los Angeles. His opponent is Oscar Andrade, who is 8-0 with 4 KOs. Abel is 9-0 with 5 KOs and one draw.

Being a boxing coach is not Jesus's full time job ("Once Abel makes money, maybe," he half jokes); he actually works at the post office. But as his gym grows, he's looking to grow up a new generation of central Arizona fighters. He's got about 10 little ones training at the Ramos Boxing Gym, including his own children. While we talk, his son dances around a punching bag, throwing little, powerful jabs and hooks.

Jesus is hoping that before long he can add some young O'otham scrappers into the mix.

Health Care receives another \$50k Komen grant, will cover cost of mammograms

By Joshua Jovanelly
Gila River Indian News

For the third year running, Gila River Health Care has received a \$50,000 grant from Susan G. Komen Central and Northern Arizona that will cover the full cost of breast cancer screenings for its patients.

The mammograms are free of charge to patients of any Native American tribe, not just Community members. The screenings typically target women 40 and older, but special circumstances — such as a family history of breast cancer — can make them necessary earlier in life.

The grant is a huge boost for patients who are uninsured or underinsured. The money is used to cover the initial mammogram, which can cost in the \$200 range, transportation to the facility and follow-up screenings if necessary.

"It's extremely important," said Rachel L. Enos, who has worked as a mammogram coordinator for three years at GRHC. "These are uninsured women. A lot of them are afraid to come in too because a lot of them think, 'Well, how am I going to pay for it?'"

"[The grant] completely takes away the cost barriers," said Veronica Z. Vaughn, interim public relations director for GRHC.

Enos, from the Goodyear Village in District 4, helps distribute information around the Community that encourages "a breast self-awareness message." It helps women understand the risks, the

importance of getting screened once a year after the age of 40 and how to make healthy lifestyle choices.

Enos's passion for her work comes from personal experience. She lost her aunt to breast cancer in 2011.

"It's something that really touches home for me and it's something that I just don't want someone else to go through," Enos said. "So it explains the drive, it

explains why I work so hard to get all the educational information that's needed out there."

The screenings are available about four times per month at a mobile medical unit that alternates between Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital and Komatke Health Center. This month, the unit will be at Hu Hu Kam on May 15 and 29 and at Komatke May 16. To inquire about screenings, call Enos at 520-550-6280.



Rachel L. Enos proudly holds a certificate for GRHC's grant from Susan G. Komen CAN AZ, which covers breast cancer screenings.

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Hey kids!

Don't forget, Mother's Day is May 11, 2014!

What do you have planned for your mother this holiday? Will you bake a cake, cook breakfast, create a custom made card?



TRIBAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

“MASHCHAMA HA JENIKTHA”



Outstanding students honored at Governor's Scholar Award dinner



Gov. Gregory Mendoza (center) smiles along with the recipients of the Governor's Scholar award after the banquet dinner held at the Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort.

By Joshua Jovanelly
Gila River Indian News

As another school year winds down, 30 of Gila River's finest students came together to be recognized for their yearlong success at the Governor's Scholar Award dinner on April 24 in the Komatke Ballroom at the Sheraton Wild

Horse Pass Resort.

The students, ranging from fourth grade to college, were awarded, with three nominees in each grade level. Parents, teachers, principals and other supporters, all dressed in formal attire, cheered on trios of students as they went up to the stage to accept their awards. Third place received

movie tickets, the runners up got Visa gift cards and first place received new laptop computers.

The Tribal Education Department, which organized the annual event, used a new process this year to decide who would be awarded. TED sent out a notice to all area schools seeking nominations for outstanding GRIC stu-

dents. The department received the nominations and boiled them down to the top three for each grade level.

The process allowed the Community to narrow the field to the highest performing students and give them the honorary distinction of Governor's Scholars.

Selecting the winners, carried out by a small group of judges, took nearly three days.

After an hour-long meet and greet, the attendants sat down for dinner. TED director Mario Molina, who has pushed for progressive innovation in the education department, greeted the crowd.

"I'm happy to see a lot of our students who are the future leaders of our communities, on the reservation and off the reservation," Molina said. "It's exciting and it brings a good feeling."

In his keynote speech, Gov. Gregory Mendoza pointed out how important it was that administrators, teachers, parents, other family members and Community leaders were in attendance that night. "When we think about education, we think about the support, the encouragement," Mendoza said, adding: "Because if we're going to move this Community forward, we need to continually support our young people and to give them opportunities to grow and learn."

Five members of Council joined the celebration to support the award-winning students: Arzie Hogg (D1), Carol Schurz (D2), Monica Antone (D4), Terrance Evans (D6) and Devin Redbird (D7).

Mendoza personally thanked the parents and guardians, who set up their loved ones to achieve. "It is because of you and your dedi-

cation to education that we have these fine young students with us this evening," Mendoza said.

But it was the scholars themselves to whom Mendoza gave the highest praise, calling them the "cream of the crop" and lauding them for choosing "to listen to those that support and love you."

He even gave them a free pass to brag a bit about their success. "It's OK to be boastful," Mendoza said. "I know a lot of times in our culture we're taught not to be boastful, but you know what, it's OK for you to be boastful."

Next, Molina returned to the stage to announce the winners. The first place recipients were Aliya White (4th grade), Iyanna Chavarria (5th grade), Sequoia Lucero (6th grade), Emilie Makil (7th grade), Francisco Chacon (8th grade), Brianna Francisco (9th grade), Priscilla Rhodes (10th grade), Darius Jackson (11th grade), Zoe Felder (12th grade) and Edwardine Thomas (College).

Molina reminded the students that it's not just stellar athletes that should be acknowledged. Shining in the classroom deserves equal praise.

"What you're doing now is just as great," Molina said. "It takes a special talent, a lot of practice and a lot of work to do what you do every night."

First Things First: Protecting young teeth increases school attendance later on

Submitted By
First Things First
Gila River Regional
Partnership Council

Did you know that dental problems are among the leading causes of school absenteeism, and that decay can start in the tiny teeth of babies and toddlers?

The Arizona Department of Health Services estimates that 30% of Arizona's 2- to 4-year-olds have untreated tooth decay and more than half of 3-year-olds have never seen a dentist. If not addressed, that decay can lead to failure to thrive,

speech delays and trouble concentrating in school.

The American Dental Association (ADA) sponsors National Children's Dental Health Month to raise awareness about the importance of oral health. First Things First is doing its part by helping children access preventive oral health care and building awareness among parents of the importance of taking care of young teeth. In fiscal year 2013, 37,833 oral health screenings were completed on kids 5 and younger statewide to detect dental problems and, 35,599 fluo-

ride varnishes were applied to protect young children's teeth against dental decay.

As their child's first teachers, parents and other caregivers can take a few simple steps to keep young teeth healthy and prevent future problems.

For babies, the Arizona Department of Health Services' Office of Oral Health recommends:

- Avoid passing germs by not sharing spoons or licking pacifiers.
- Keep the bottle out of the crib.
- Serve juice in a cup, not a bottle.
- Clean baby's mouth with a soft cloth or infant toothbrush.
- And, take your baby to the dentist by his or her first birthday.

For children 1 and older, the following recommendations are added:

- Limit sweets, snack foods and sweet drinks.
- Brush your child's teeth with a soft toothbrush twice a day.
- Look at your child's teeth and gums at least once a month. Healthy teeth should be all one color.
- Make sure your child drinks from a cup and focus on water with fluoride, milk, or small amounts of 100% fruit juice.
- And, give your child healthy meals and snacks.

By following these steps, we can send our kids to school with healthy teeth and gums, prevent future absences, and promote their success in kindergarten and beyond!

FACE program students learn about suicide awareness from Gila River Prevention



Photo Courtesy of the Gila River Prevention Coalition

Photo: John Fullen, (left) FACE program leader, stands with program participants.

Submitted by Gila River
Prevention Coalition

The Gila River Prevention team recently partnered with Blackwater Community School's FACE program to provide educational services addressing the issue of depression and suicide amongst young people within the community.

As part of the FACE program, young adults learn the skills necessary to increase personal achievement and to promote positive, healthy development within their families and the larger Gila River community. FACE program participants gain insight into some

of the risk factors surrounding suicide as well as the warning signs for depression and suicide. The program also promotes help-seeking behaviors, and teaches participants how to assist a friend, family member or Blackwater Community School student in obtaining necessary help.

FACE program participants in attendance for the suicide prevention presentation each received two passes to Sun Splash in Mesa, AZ. These tickets were generously donated by management at this Golf/Sun Splash location.

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Community Council Action Sheets **Wednesday, April 16, 2014**

ACTION SHEET

Community Council; PO Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729

CALL TO ORDER

The Second Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday April 16, 2014, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by presiding Chairman Governor Gregory Mendoza at 9:07 a.m.

INVOCATION

Provided by Reverend Aaron Johns

ROLL CALL

Sign-In Sheet Circulated

Executive Officers Present:

Governor Gregory Mendoza

Lt. Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Council Members Present:

D1-Cynthia Antone, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol

Schurz; D3- Carolyn Williams, Dale G. Enos; D4-

Monica Antone, Jennifer Allison, Norman

Wellington; D5- Annette J. Stewart, Janice F.

Stewart, Robert Stone, Franklin Pablo, Sr.

(10:37); D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr., Albert Pablo,

Terrance B. Evans; D7- Devin Redbird

Council Members Absent:

D4-Barney Enos, Jr.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVED AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Shannon Redbird and Christopher Lomahquahu

Presenter: Zuzette Kisto

ZUZETTE KISTO INTRODUCED MS. SHANNON REDBIRD AND MR. CHRISTOPHER LOMAHQUAHU. MS. REDBIRD AND MR. LOMAHQUAHU PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THEIR BACKGROUND AND GRATITUDE FOR THEIR POSITIONS.

2. Thank you of the Alfred Lomahquahu Sr. Headstone

Presenters: Carol D. French and Lomahquahu Sr. Family CAROL FRENCH ADDRESSED GOVERNOR MENDOZA, LT. GOVERNOR LEWIS AND THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL, THANKING THEM FOR THE DONATED HEADSTONE OF MR. LOMAHQUAHU AND INVITING THEM TO THE DEDICATION CEREMONY ON APRIL 19, 2014 AT 8:00AM IN BLACKWATER.

REPORTS

1. Blackwater Community School Tribal Allocation 1st Quarter Report

Presenter: Jacqueline Powers

REPORT HEARD

2. Gila River Indian Community Johnson O'Malley Program 3rd Quarter Report School Year 2012/2013

Presenter: Martin Grant Jr.

REPORT HEARD

3. Gila River Indian Community Johnson O'Malley Program 4th Quarter Report School Year 2012/2013

Presenter: Martin Grant Jr.

REPORT HEARD

4. Gila River Indian Community Johnson O'Malley Program 1st Quarter Report School Year 2013/2014

Presenter: Martin Grant Jr.

REPORT HEARD

5. Gila River Indian Community Johnson O'Malley Program 2nd Quarter Report School Year 2013/2014

Presenter: Martin Grant Jr.

REPORT HEARD

[GOVERNOR MENDOZA CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK

RECONVENED AT 11:19AM]

*6. Sun Valley Marina Development Corporation And Wild Horse Pass Motorsports Park-1st. Quarter Report FY 2013 October 1, 2013 –December 31, 2013

Presenters: Sun Valley Marina Development and Wild Horse Pass Motorsports Park Board Of Directors

REPORT HEARD

[GOVERNOR MENDOZA CALLED FOR A 1-HOUR LUNCH BREAK

RECONVENED AT 1:13PM]

7. Tribal Social Services – 2013 Annual Domestic Violence Report

Presenter: Nada Celaya

REPORT HEARD

8. Gila River Indian Community Constitution

Presenter: Councilwoman Jennifer Allison and Javier Ramos

REPORT HEARD

9. Monthly Financial Activity Report For The Six Months Ended March (Executive Session)

Presenter: Treasurer Robert G. Keller and Mike Jacobs

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT

RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing The Amended Transit Services Agreement Contract No. 128-75-2015 Between The Gila River Indian Community And The Regional Public Transportation Authority Providing For Fixed-Route Transit Services On To the Gila River Indian Reservation (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval; addition of the information on ridership)

Presenters: Timothy Oliver and Sasha Pachito

APPROVED

2. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving The Gila River Employment And Training Department To Submit A Competitive Grant Application To The Corporation For National & Community Service, On Behalf Of The Gila River Indian Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenter: Andy Miritello

APPROVED

3. A Resolution Approving An Intergovernmental Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And The Arizona Boxing And Mixed Martial Arts Commission (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenters: Deborah Griffin, Kenneth Manuel and Jason Robinson

APPROVED

4. A Resolution Approving And Ratifying The Construction Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And W.E. O'Neal Construction Co. Of Arizona To Construct The Toka Sticks Hotel And Clubhouse (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval; EDSC concurs)

Presenter: Ronald Rosier

APPROVED

5. A Resolution Approving Membership Of The Gila River Indian Community In The National Indian Gaming Association For Calendar Year 2014 And Authorizing Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (25,000.00) For The Community's Annual Dues (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenter: Gailyn Ethelbah

APPROVED

6. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving The Termination Of Per Capita Trust Accounts And Directing The Distribution Of Trust Assets To Certain Beneficiaries (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenter: Treasurer Robert G. Keller

APPROVED

7. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Mending The Sacred Hoop, Inc. For Fiscal Year 2014 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval; H&SSC concur)

Presenters: Nada Celaya and Kisa Corcoran

APPROVED

8. A Resolution Authorizing and Approving the Gila River Fire Department to Submit a Competitive Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Fire Prevention and Safety Grant on Behalf of the Gila River Indian Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenter: Chief Knapp

APPROVED

9. A Resolution Approving Changes To The BIA, Tribal, And Non-BIA Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) System On The Gila River Indian Community (NRSC forwards to the Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Sasha Pachito

APPROVED

10. A Resolution Designating And Approving The Assignment Of 18.82 Acres, More Or Less, Of Reservation Land Within District Seven Of The Gila River Indian Community As Shown In Drawing No. 30712-0097-01 In Order To Operate And Maintain The Pee Posh Cemetery For The Purpose Of Interring The Bodies or Remains Of Eligible Community Members (NRSC forwards to the Council with recommendation for approval; CRSC concurs)

Presenter: Rodney Tuttle

ORDINANCES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority Board of Directors Appointment (1)

Presenters: Community Council

PAMELA THOMAS APPOINTED

2. Proposed GRIC Organizational Realignment (G&MSC forwards to Council for discussion and possible work session date)

Presenter: Tina Notah-Enas

DISPENSED AT THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3. Gila River Broadcasting Business Plan and Budget (G&MSC forwards to Council with the additional information on Verizon monies to be used; EDSC concurs)

Presenters: Derek E. White and John Lewis

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE NEW BUSINESS

1. District 1 Motion Sheet For Housing Advisory Committee (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenter: Lori Francisco

MOTION MADE AND SECOND CHERYL COPPEDGE APPROVED AND AFFIRMED

2. Advertisement of Appointed Positions:

Community Council Secretary and Community Treasurer (G&MSC forwards to Council with the changes to advertise for 30 day both positions)

Presenter: Gailyn Ethelbah

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ADVERTISE BOTH POSITIONS FOR 30-DAYS

3. 19th Annual Mid-Year Tribal Enrollment Conference (LSC forwards to Council under New Business)

Presenters: Legislative Standing Committee

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO HAVE ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL MEMBERS BE

ALLOWED TO ATTEND THE 19TH ANNUAL MID-YEAR TRIBAL ENROLLMENT

CONFERENCE, MAY 6-7, 2014 IN LAS VEGAS [Addendum to Agenda]

4. GRTI Request for FCC-Native Nations Broadband Task Force Nominations

Presenters: Government & Management Standing Committee

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE COUNCILMAN NORMAN WELLINGTON, AS

THE PRIMARY AND BELINDA NELSON, AS THE ALTERNATE

5. National Indian Gaming Association Tradeshow & Convention

Presenters: Government & Management Standing Committee

MOTION MADE AND SECOND FOR ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL MEMBERS TO

ATTEND THE 2014 NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING ASSOCIATION TRADESHOW & CONVENTION

MINUTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

>GRATITUDE WAS EXPRESSED TO GOVERNOR AND LT. GOVERNOR FOR THEIR ATTENDANCE AT THE

DISTRICT 7 FIVE TRIBES EVENT

>DISTRICT 4 APOLOGIES EXPRESSED TO DISTRICT 7 OF NON-ATTENDANCE AT THE FIVE TRIBES EVENT

>JOINT LEADERSHIP MEETING WITH SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL - THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014, 11:30AM, SALT RIVER

FIELDS

>EASTER WISHES EXTENDED TO ALL

>HR 1410 TO BE HELD SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2014, 8:30AM AT THE SHERATON WILD HORSE PASS; CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH TO BE SERVED

>GILA RIVER HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING BLESSING & GROUND BREAKING - THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014 5:30AM

>WALK FOR JESUS – FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2014, 4:00–6:00 BEGINNING AT THE DISTRICT 5 MARKET; SING- SPIRATION TO FOLLOW

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ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:38pm

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

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**GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY
★ ★ VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT ★ ★**

The Gila River Indian Community Council has declared the following vacancy per GRIC Constitution Article VIII Sec 4:

Public Notice	Three-Year Term	Deadline
Appointment of Community Treasurer	July 1, 2014 Thru June 30, 2017	May 19, 2014 12:00 noon

Qualified individuals interested in serving as the Community Treasurer must submit a 1 original copy of your Letter of Interest and Résumé to the Community Council Secretary's Office by the deadline date, (include your address and phone number on your résumé). A copy of the position description outlining the qualifications, duties & responsibilities of this position can be obtained from the Community Council Secretary's Office and/or Human Resources located at the Governance Center, 525 West Gu u Ki, mailing address P.O. Box 2138, Sacaton, AZ 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720.

Pursuant to Bylaws of Gila River Indian Community, Section 5: *The Treasurer shall accept, receive, give receipt for and safeguard all funds of the Community. As directed by the Council, he shall deposit all funds, without limitation on the amount in any account, in any national or state bank whose deposits are insured by any agency of the Federal Government; or deposit funds with bonded disbursing officer of the United States. All deposits shall be made in the name of the Gila River Indian Community. The Council may require deposits in hands to be collateralized. He shall not pay or disburse any funds of the Community except when properly authorized to do so by the Council.*

At the second regular Council meeting each month he shall submit a written report of receipts, disbursements, and the balance in each separate account for the preceding calendar month.

He may designate a duty bonded agent to perform any of his duties under his direction. Executed copy of such designation must be filed with the Secretary.

The books and records of the Treasurer shall be audited at least once a year and at such other times as the Council may direct, by a firm of certified public accountants employed by the Council.

The Treasurer and all others handling Community Funds shall be bonded by a corporate surety on the list approved by the United States Treasury Department, in an amount satisfactory to the Council and approved by the Secretary of the Interior. The Council may authorize a blanket bond.

**** Appointment by Community Council will be made June 4, 2014 ****

PROPOSED LEGISLATION: EDUCATION CODE

CHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

11.101. Title.
This title is the Education Code of the Gila River Indian Community ("Community") and it may be cited as the "Education Code."

11.102. Authority.
A. The Gila River Indian Community has inherent authority over the formal education of all children within the boundaries of the Gila River Indian Reservation ("Reservation").
B. It is the intent of the Community to exercise its authority over any non-Indians under this title to the maximum extent permitted under federal law and Supreme Court and federal court decisions defining the regulatory authority of Indian tribes over activities which occur on trust lands or conduct which threatens the political

integrity, economic security, health or welfare of the tribe, including Montana v. United States, 450 U.S. 544 (1980) and Water Wheel Camp Recreational Area, Inc. v. LaRance, 642 F.3d 802 (9th Cir. 2011).

C. The laws and ordinances of the Community, including this title, apply to Community grant schools and other educational institutions within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation to the maximum extent permitted under applicable law.

11.103. Findings, Intent and Purpose.

- A. The Community Council finds that:
1. Achievement levels at a majority of the elementary and secondary schools within the Community are notably low;
 2. Drop-out rates in the elementary and secondary schools within the Community

are below the expectations and standards of the Community;

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

The Education Standing Committee will be considering the proposed education ordinance. A copy of this proposed ordinance in its entirety is on file and available for review at all District Service Center coordinators' offices and the Community Council Secretary's Office.

Community members may comment on the proposed ordinance by contacting their Council member(s) and/or Councilwoman Cynthia Antone, the Chairperson of the Education Standing Committee. Written comments may also be sent to: GRIC Office of General Counsel, Post Office Box 97, Sacaton, Arizona 85147.

**GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY
★ ★ VACANCY RE-ANNOUNCEMENT ★ ★**

The Gila River Indian Community Council has declared the following vacancy pursuant to GRIC Constitution Article VIII, Section 3:

Public Notice	One - Year Term	Deadline
Appointment of Community Council Secretary	July 1, 2014 To June 30, 2015	May 19, 2014 12:00 noon

Community members interested in serving as the Community Council Secretary, must submit one original copy of a Letter of Interest and Résumé to the Community Council Secretary's Office by the deadline date, (include your address and phone number on your résumé). A copy of the position description outlining the qualifications, duties, and responsibilities can be obtained from the Community Council Secretary's Office and/or Human Resources located at the Governance Center, 525 West Gu u Ki, mailing address P.O. Box 2138, Sacaton, AZ 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720.

Pursuant of the Bylaws of the Gila River Indian Community, Section 4; *The Secretary shall be the official custodian of all files, records, and correspondences of the Community and of the Community seal. He shall prepare all minutes, resolutions and ordinances enacted by the Council and transmit required copies to the Superintendent.*

**** Appointment by Community Council will be June 4, 2014. ****

**Gila River Police
Department**



Gila River Police Department
520-562-4511
Missing / Endangered Person
Kermit Bread
DOB: 11/29/1975
Native American Ht: 5'05"/ Wt: 150 lbs
Black hair/ Brown eyes

Kermit was last seen on April 11, 2014 at approximately 11:00 PM walking west from Sacate Rd. near Nelson Road in Bapchule, AZ. Kermit is diabetic and Insulin dependent. He has two scars under his neck and a large scar on the right side of his lower leg.

Last Seen: April 11, 2014 at approximately 11:00 PM Sacate and Nelson Road, District 5, Gila River Indian Community.

Last Seen Wearing: Black T-shirt, black shorts and no shoes.

If located contact Detective C. Towe of the Gila River Police Department at 520-562-4511 OR Silent Witness at 520-562-7144

PUBLIC NOTICE

*Name of Person: Leroy Rodney Fulwilder, Jr.
*Type of Hearing: Paternity & Child Support
*Case Numbers: CF-13-0243/CFCS-13-0079
*Court Date: July 21, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.
Courtroom #4, 2nd Floor
*Location: Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court
*Address: 10,005 E. Osborn Rd., Scottsdale, Arizona 85256
FAILURE TO APPEAR CAN AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS
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Notice of phased consent meetings for allottees regarding The El Paso Natural Gas /Kinder Morgan Right of Way

Over the course of the next four months, the Gila River Indian Community's Negotiation Team will hold a series of Phased consent meetings with allottees regarding the amount of compensation that El Paso Natural Gas Company I Kinder Morgan ("El Paso") has agreed to pay allottees and the Community for a new twenty (20) year term right of way ("Right of Way"). On May 10, 2014 the Negotiation Team will hold its first consent meeting with allottees that own land interest(s) in Phase 1 and 2 of the Right of Way area. This meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 10, 2014, at the District Five Service Center in Casa Blanca.

The Negotiation Team intends to schedule a consent meeting with Phase 3 allottees to occur on June 28, 2014, at a location to be determined. Thereafter, the Negotiation Team intends to schedule a meeting for Phase 4 allottees on August 2, 2014, at a location to be determined. A meeting with Phase 5 allottees will be scheduled to occur after the Phase 4 meeting at a date and location to be determined by the Negotiation Team. A general map showing the location of Phases 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the El Paso Right of Way area is included on page 2 of this flyer.

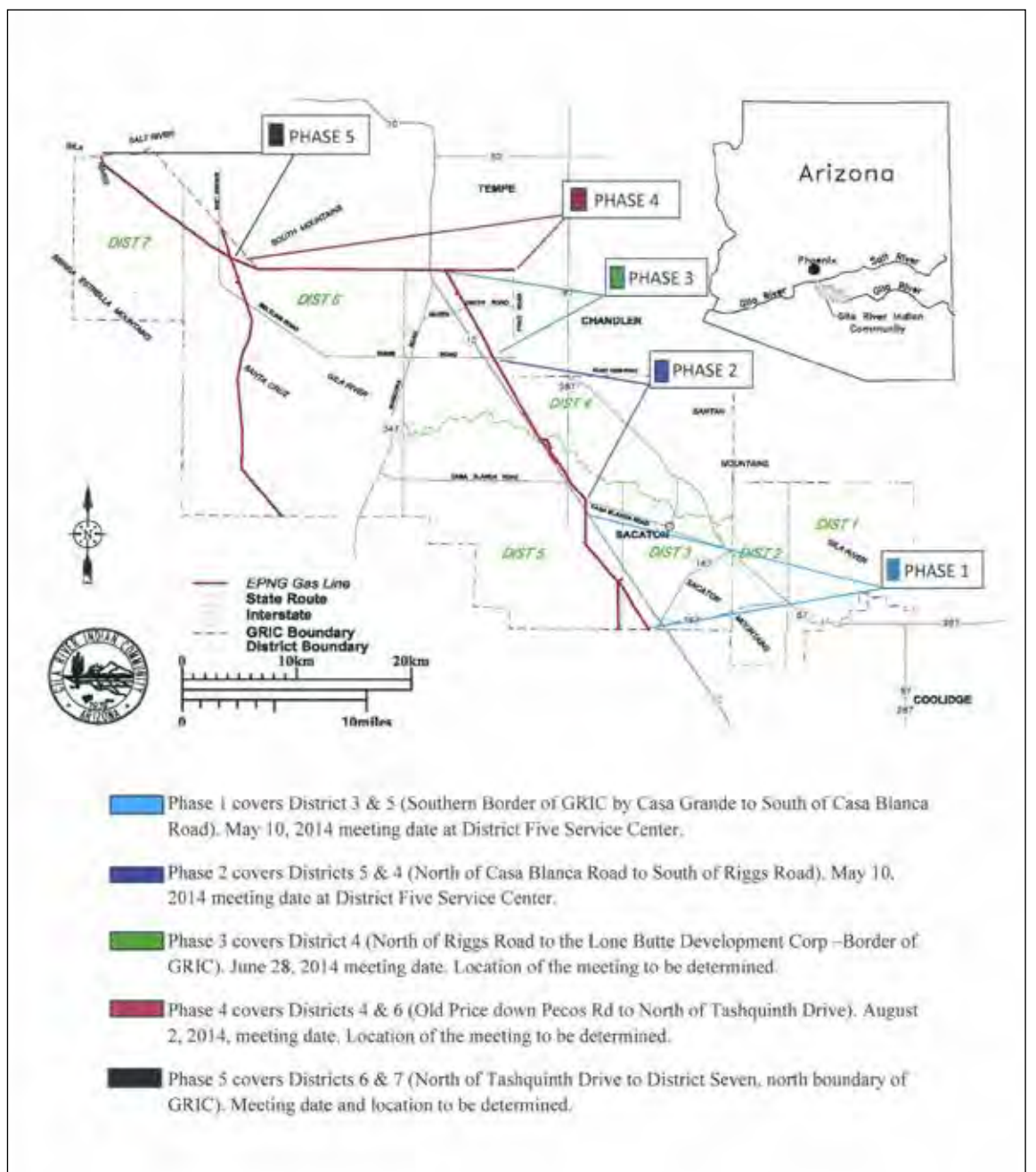
For each Phased consent meeting, the Negotiation Team

will send a letter to each allottee in that particular Phase of the Right of Way area informing them of the date, time, and place of their Phased consent meeting. Some allottees may have land interest(s) in different Phases of the Right of Way and may be invited to attend more than one consent meeting regarding the El Paso Right of Way. Notice of the Phase 1 and 2 consent meeting on May 10, 2014 has already been sent to those allottees with land interest in those Phases of the Right of Way area. A similar letter for Phases 3, 4, and 5 will be sent out approximately three to four weeks in advance of those meetings.

Because meeting space is limited, we ask that only those allottees that have received a notice letter of the Phase 1 and 2 consent meeting attend the May 10, 2014 meeting. If you are an allottee with land ownership interest(s) in other Phases of the El Paso right of way area, we will soon send to you a notice of your individual Phased consent meeting as mentioned above.

Representatives from the Negotiation Team, El Paso, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs - Pima

Agency will be in attendance of each of the five (5) Phased consent meetings to present the El Paso compensation information and answer allottee questions.



MOTHER'S DAY BUFFET AT RAWHIDE STEAKHOUSE

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2014
10:00AM - 5:00PM

This Mother's Day show Mom you care by taking her to a delectable buffet at Rawhide's Steakhouse. Chef Jonathan Scott, will be preparing a delicious assortment of items for you and your family to enjoy. Buffet items include fresh salads, omelet bar, pastries, prime rib, roasted turkey and more.

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PESTICIDE SAFETY TIPS

ALTHOUGH PESTICIDES CAN BE USEFUL, THEY ALSO CAN BE DANGEROUS IF USED CARELESSLY OR NOT ARE STORED PROPERLY. HERE ARE SOME TIPS FOR SAFER PEST CONTROL:



- The most effective way to reduce risks posed by pesticides is to use non-chemical control methods to reduce or eliminate pest problems. Around the home, such measures include removing sources of food and water (such as leaky pipes) and destroying pest shelters and breeding sites (such as litter and plant debris).

- If you decide that you must use pesticides, always read the label first and follow the directions to the letter, including all precautions and restrictions.
- Do not use products for pests that are not indicated on the label and do not use more pesticide than directed by the label. Do not think that twice the amount will do twice the job.
- Use protective measures when handling pesticides as directed by the label, such as wearing gloves specified by the label, long pants, and a long-sleeve shirt. Change clothes and wash your hands immediately after applying pesticides.
- Before applying a pesticide (indoors or outdoors), remove

children, their toys, and pets from the area and keep them away until the pesticide has dried or as recommended by the label.

- Do not spray outdoors on windy or rainy days. Take precautions to keep the pesticide from drifting or running off into the vegetable garden, pool, or neighbor's yard.
- Remove or cover food during indoor applications.
- If using a commercial applicator or lawn care service, ask for information about potential risks and safety precautions to take.
- Do not buy more pesticides than you will need. Follow label directions and Tribal regulations

regarding disposal. If you are unsure how to dispose, check with the Department of Environmental Quality, Hazardous Waste Program to find out the proper way to dispose of the unused pesticide.

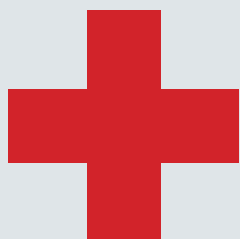
- Keep the Poison Control Center telephone number near your telephone.



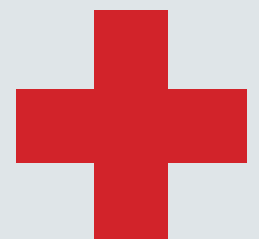
HERE ARE SOME TIPS TO FOLLOW IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN OR IF CHILDREN VISIT YOUR HOUSE OR YARD:



- Always store pesticides away from children's reach, in a locked cabinet or garden shed. Childproof safety latches also may be installed on cabinets and can be purchased at local hardware stores and other retail outlets.
- Never transfer pesticides to other containers that children may associate with food or drink.
- Never place rodent or insect baits where small children can get to them.
- Teach children that "pesticides are poisons" - something they should not touch.
- Alert others to the potential hazard of pesticides, especially care givers and grandparents.



IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, try to determine what the person was exposed to and what part of the body was affected before you take action, since taking the right action is as important as taking immediate action. If the person is unconscious having trouble breathing, or having convulsions, give needed first aid immediately, then call **911**. If the person does not have these symptoms, contact your local **Poison Control Center** at **1-800-222-1222**. Have the product container with you when you call for assistance - remember to act fast!



For more information regarding pesticides, please contact the: **Gila River Indian Community Department of Environmental Quality Pesticide Control Office (520) 562-2234 | Email: GRIC.Pesticide.Office@gric.nsn.us**