

## Track Team Native Acceleration Developing Champions in Gila River

By Annie Gutierrez  
Gila River Indian News

A banner with “Native Acceleration” inscribed on a field of white hangs on the gates of the bleachers on the Sacaton Middle School track. Below, in quotation marks it reads: “Success and honor through hard work, desire to respect the past and ability to stride towards the future.”

The quote is the prime example of what coach Nicholas Lewis strives for and instills in his young athletes.

“What we focus on here is fundamental knowledge about the sport of track and field,” said Coach Lewis. Native Acceleration is a six-week track and field camp



Photo Courtesy of Nick Lewis/Native Acceleration

Native Acceleration girls team runners take off at the Lori Piestewa Games track meet July 11. All of the team’s members went home with at least one medal.

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## Enrollment Survey

By Christopher Lomahquahu  
Gila River Indian News

Recently, the Enrollment/Census Department mailed out a survey to Community members that asks for opinions on tribal enrollment.

“We want to get an idea of what people are thinking about membership and how different factors determine membership,” said Jane Johnson, director of enrollment.

Results will help the department make recommendations to the Community Council about

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## Young Athletes Represent GRIC at Native American Basketball Invitational



Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

A Gila River boys team player flies into the air for a layup. The team won 54-45 July 2 at Scottsdale Community College but were eliminated on July 3 in a 59-58 loss to New Mexico team One Tribe.

By Christopher Lomahquahu  
Gila River Indian News

The summer heat wasn’t the only thing hot in town last week as Native American basketball teams from all over Indian Country converged on the Valley of the Sun from July 1-4.

Now in its 13th year, the Native American Basketball Invitational tournament is sponsored by the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Seminole Tribe of Florida and the Yavapai-Prescott Indian Tribe.

Two boys teams represented

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## West End Schools get Facelift from International Group “Hope Worldwide”



Annie Gutierrez/GRIN

Volunteer students from Hope Worldwide paint a door frame at Gila Crossing Community School July 4.

By Annie Gutierrez  
Gila River Indian News

Volunteers with the international charity organization Hope Worldwide spent their Fourth of July holiday making a difference in the Community.

Over 900 students attending the International Campus Ministries Conference in Phoenix paid a visit to Gila River during their event to beautify Gila Crossing, Gila River Head Start, and Skyline.

The Conference, hosted by the International Church of Christ, is in partnership with the Hope Worldwide organization. Every year, ICMC gathers many high school and college students west

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## Schools Closing

By Ashley Pasqual  
Gila River Indian News

The only two high schools located on the Gila River Indian Reservation have been closed as of June 30. Most students will be forced to attend high school off the reservation, but Skyline District 5 middle school, which recently gained approval to begin teaching high school courses, will offer classes to some students.

Ira Hayes High School and Vechij Himgdag Mashchamakud alternative high school lost their charters due to several years of academic under performance and low ratings from the Arizona State Board of Charter Schools.

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- District 4 Service Center . . . . . 7/28 & 7/30

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**Gila River Warriors B-ball  
Coach Burrell Thanks Community**

Good day, GRIC members!

I would like to thank everyone that came out to support the Gila River Warriors during the NABI tournament in Phoenix. It was my first NABI experience as a coach and it was a great opportunity. In our first year, we made the Gold bracket and I am very proud of our team for their effort. The team worked hard in weekly practices since the beginning of 2015. They also played in tournaments and scrimmages to prepare for NABI. One of the team's major sponsors was Gov. Stephen Lewis and the Executive Office. Thank you, Governor. Also, Thank you Rudy Flores and Vic Gonzales for your assistance. Way to go Gila River Warriors!

James Burrell

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**Registration for grades K-4 is Monday - Friday 8:00am - 3:00pm**  
Space is limited for Kindergarten and Fourth grades!

**MEET the Teacher Day** is on July 30th from 4pm-7pm.

**THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL** is on Monday, August 3rd. Breakfast is served at 7:25 and classes begin at 8:00am.

**Dress Code Reminder:** The dress code is a school shirt (T-shirt or Polo) and tan or black shorts/pants/skirts. School shirts may be purchased at the school's FRONT OFFICE. Cost of the shirts: T-Shirt-\$5.25; Polo Shirts-\$8.65.



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6 <b>D6 (LAVEEN) RTC</b> BY APPOINTMENT ONLY	7 <b>AK-CHIN</b> 8:30-2:30 PM	8 <b>D5 (BAPCHULE)</b> SACATE HOUSING 8:30-2:30 PM	9 <b>NO CLINIC</b>	10 <b>NO CLINIC</b>
13 <b>D3 SACATON (SOUTHWEST SIDE OF HOSPITAL CAMPUS) INSIDE MOBILE UNIT</b> 8:00-3:00 PM	14 <b>D5 (BAPCHULE) MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING</b> 8:30-3:00 PM	15 <b>D4 (SAN TAN) SERVICE CENTER</b> 8:30-2:30 PM	16 <b>D1 (BLACKWATER) NEW HOUSING</b> 8:30-2:30 PM	17 <b>NO CLINIC</b>
20 <b>D3 (SACATON) BY EMPLOYMENT &amp; TRAINING (SKILL CENTER ROAD)</b> 8:00-3:00 PM	21 <b>D7 (Maricopa Colony) SERVICE CENTER</b> 9:00-2:00 PM	22 <b>SACATON DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES (DRS)</b>	23 <b>D2 MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING</b> 8:30-2:00 PM	24 <b>NO CLINIC</b>
27 <b>NO CLINIC</b>	28 <b>D4 (SAN TAN) SERVICE CENTER</b> 8:30-3:00 PM	29 <b>D7 (Maricopa Colony) NEW HOUSING</b> 9:00-2:00 PM	30 <b>D3 (SACATON) BY BOY'S &amp; GIRL'S CLUB</b> 8:30-2:30 PM	<b>SCHEDULE YOUR FAMILY PLANNING APPOINTMENT TODAY!</b>

**CORRECTIONS**

There was an error in the July 2 edition, NABI article. The baseball teams Blackwater and Outkast are separate teams, not the same.

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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.

## Enrollment Survey

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enrollment policies and potential changes to the enrollment section of the Community code. She said, "In September [we] will be going through a work session to assist leadership in making a sound decision."

Johnson said her department and the Enrollment Committee have taken the initiative to make sure all Community members' opinions are heard. They have been touring the districts for the

past couple of months to discuss the survey with Community members.

Her department encourages Community members who have received a survey to fill it out and return it to the enrollment office as soon as possible in person, by fax or by mail. The deadline for submittal is July 31.

Johnson understands the sensitivity of the questions and would like individuals to think about

their responses and how they will be incorporated into the pool of data.

The following topics under review are: petition of membership, relinquishments, denial of membership, blood quantum, and DNA testing.

"Our department gets a lot of questions about things like dual enrollment, blood quantum and children caught in the middle of paternity issues," said Johnson.

For confidentiality the responses do not have an associated name and are given a number if you are concerned about privacy.

She said there are two sides of the coin when talking about attaining membership and it is not about ostracizing people from the Community.

The goal is to meet in the middle to make the process fair for all Community members, because an individual's decision to

relinquish or obtain membership should be heavily weighed before the process is finalized.

Community members living on and off the reservation have differing views on the survey questions. Although, some of the responses to the survey have been mixed, it is clear many Community members have something to say about the enrollment process.

## High Schools Closing

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ASBCS rates schools with letter grades A-F based on a school's students' AIMS test results and other metrics. VHM and Ira Hayes scored a letter grade of "D" several years in a row, resulting in a failing status.

Despite both schools' improvement in attendance, AIMS math scores, and graduation rates this year, IHHS and VHM were notified in July of 2014 that their schools would have to close at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

Both schools said they notified parents of the closure and attempted to assist students in preparing to transfer into off-reservation schools for the following school year.

Some off-reservation high schools near the Community came to talk with students about signing up with them and staff at both schools urged students to register with new

schools as soon as possible.

In preparation of the closure, Kim Franklin, principal of VHM, said, "We put one hundred percent laser focus on completing [the] core-curriculum," which is the 14 core credits students in Arizona are required to take to graduate. The idea was the students would get as many core credits done, learn those standards, and transfer into another school.

Ira Hayes High School Superintendent and Principal Crispin Zamudio wanted to stay positive and make sure his students stayed focused on studying. "I was not going to give up on the school," he said.

The school tried to refine its standing and tripled its number of graduates, from the previous 2013-2014 school year, with 15 students this May. Attendance improved from 65 percent two years ago to 80 percent

in the first 100 days of last year.

Meanwhile, Skyline, a grade "B" school, was granted an extension by ASBCS to expand their course offerings into high school.

This means students could still attend high school within the Community, starting in the 2015-2016 school year. Skyline is willing to take in as many students as they can find space for.

The Gila River Indian Community made an attempt to bring in other high schools to replace IHHS and VHM, but in a June joint session, the Education Standing Committee and the Government and Management Standing Committee decided to dispense with the matter.

It is possible that the tribe will open another high school on the reservation in the future, but for now the Council and the

Tribal Education Department have decided to focus their efforts on improving the quality of education and making partnerships with the schools currently in the Gila River Indian Community.

They want to focus on strengthening the current systems that are in place and enhancing school rigor to have elementary students perform at a higher rate before they enter high school.

## Keeping Our Community Safe this Summer

Submitted by  
Chemical Tribal Emergency Response Commission


It's that time of the year again for high temperatures, monsoon storms with high winds, and the dry heat. The Chemical-Tribal Emergency Response Commission (C-TERC) wants to remind GRIC Community members about weeds and brush that build up around your homes. If you begin to see this occur at your home, be proactive and move this debris away from structures. Here are some of the ongoing activities Community Departments that are members of the C-TERC are doing that assist in keeping areas clean and safe here in the Community.

The Department of Transportation grades its dirt roads approximately every 8 to 12 weeks depending on work load. This schedule can be affected when monsoons or isolated rain storm pass through the Community. The purpose of this grading is to keep a crown on the dirt roads so that water runs off instead of staying on the road and creating a pond. Typically, road side vegetation in the road Right-of-Way is mowed twice a year (depending on need and the amount of rainfall that has occurred). This helps keep the drainage along the roads open and also helps make sure the vegetation does not affect a drivers ability to see oncoming traffic when leaving a driveway or

when stopped at a cross street. DOT staff also grades the dirt shoulders next to paved roads to ensure that there is a smooth transition between the paved road and the dirt shoulder. This generally is done once a year unless drop offs are noticed by staff. Both vegetation clearing and shoulder grading creates a better environment for when vehicles need to pull over onto the shoulder. Lastly, DOT staff trims vegetation like trees and large bushes in the road Right-of-Way when this vegetation causes safety issues along the road.

The Department of Environmental Quality Air Quality (DEQ) Air Quality Program (AQP) requires a burn permit for burning yard waste on your property. Yard waste is considered weeds, leaves, grass clippings, garden debris, and smaller branches. The Residential & Agriculture Burn Permit Application allows you to burn your yard waste instead of hauling it away. This permit also insures that DEQ and the Gila River Fire Department are aware of permitted fires on the Community and that you don't burn items that could be harmful to you or the environment. Most importantly, it is for the safety of you, your property and the safety of your neighbors. A burn

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	7/19 SUNDAY	7/20 MONDAY	7/21 TUESDAY	7/22 WEDNESDAY	7/23 THURSDAY	7/24 FRIDAY	7/25 SATURDAY
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6:30am	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health
7:00am	Wakanheja	Wakanheja	Wakanheja	Wakanheja	Wakanheja	Wakanheja	Wakanheja
7:30am	Lakota Berenstain Bears	Bizou	Bizou	Bizou	Bizou	Bizou	Lakota Berenstain Bears
8:00am	Yamba's Playtime Yamba The Driver	Tansi Nehiyawetan Sun, Moon, Wapos Bay As Long As The River Flows	Tansi Nehiyawetan Music	Tansi Nehiyawetan Scary Stuff	Tansi rweniyawetan Coyotes III the City	Tansi Nehiyawetan Pow Wow	Yamba's Playtime
8:30am	Wapos Bay All's Fair	Wapos Bay As Long As The River Flows	Wapos Bay Tricks and Treats	Wapos Bay The Hunt	Wapos Bay A Mother's Earth	Wapos Bay Going for Gold	Wapos Bay As Long As The River Flows
9:00am	Art Zone Styrofoam Prints	Art Zone Personal Collage	Art Zone Paper Mache	Art Zone Friendship Bracelets	Art Zone Portraits	Art Zone Holders	Art Zone Personal Collage
9:30am	Vitality Gardening Raised	Vitality Gardening	Vitality Gardening Welcome to	Vitality Gardening Planting Our	Vitality Gardening	Vitality Gardening Seed Saving	Vitality Gardening
10:00am	Sharing Circle Crooked Music:	Sharing Circle Restoring The	Sharing Circle The Ultimate	Sharing Circle Two Spirit People	Sharing Circle Comic Book	Sharing Circle Aboriginal Music	Sharing Circle Restoring The
10:30am	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS
11:00am	Creative Native Indigenous Prophecies	Creative Native We Are What We Eat Part 2	Creative Native Smithsonian Institute	Creative Native Masks of Big House	Creative Native Aboriginal Friendship Center	Creative Native Medicine Stories	Creative Native Smithsonian Institute
11:30am	First Talk The Sun Run	First Talk 10 Pow Wows	First Talk Reality of Modeling	First Talk The New Weight Control	First Talk What Men Really Want	First Talk Aboriginal Economics	First Talk 10 Pow Wows
12:00pm	For The Generations: Native Story and Performance	From Badlands to Alcatraz	Native Planet New Zealand	Amazonia Eterna	Our Spirits Don't Speak English Indian Boarding Schools	The Modoc War	The Young Ancestors
12:30pm							
1:00pm	Back in the Day The Two Highways	Ravens and Eagles From Hand to Hand Part 1	Samaqan Water Stories Fish Lake Part 2	Ravens and Eagles From Hand to Hand Part 2	Samaqan Water Stories Introduction	Ravens and Eagles The New Collectors	Seasoned with Spirit Return of the Buffalo
1:30pm	Untamed Gourmet Kananaskis Ring Necked Pheasant	Vitality Gardening Welcome to Vitality Gardening	Vitality Gardening Planting Our Northern Garden	Vitality Gardening The History of Aboriginal	Vitality Gardening Seed Saving and the Indigenous Medicine	Vitality Gardening Community Gardening In Inuvik and	Untamed Gourmet Newfoundland Moose
2:00pm	Seasoned with Spirit Return of the Buffalo	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Native Nation Building Leadership and Strategic
2:30pm	On Native Ground: Youth Report	Earth Voices John Ash Poitras	Earth Voices Victor Buffalo	Earth Voices Bob Cardinal	Earth Voices Maggie Black Kettle	Earth Voices Dale Auger	People of the Pines Assimilation
3:00pm	When I Hear Thunder	Creative Native Smithsonian Institute	Creative Native Masks of Big House	Creative Native Aboriginal Friendship Center	Creative Native Medicine Stories	Creative Native Talking Stick	Making Regalia
3:30pm		GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS
4:00pm		Working It Out Together Medical	Indian Pride Myths & Real Truths	On Native Ground: Youth Report	Indian Pride Economic Development	The Hub	Down The Mighty River The Great Divide
4:30pm	Colorado Experience: Sand Creek Massacre	Back in the Day Shelter	Oskeyak Down Under	Champions of the North Modern Times	Down The Mighty River More Power Than We Think	On Native Ground: Youth Report	Indians and Aliens Sandy Mastly
5:00pm		First Talk Reality of Modeling	First Talk The New Weight Control	First Talk What Men Really Want	First Talk Aboriginal Economics	First Talk Cougarism	Indigenous Focus Tribal Journeys/A Family Heritage
5:30pm	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	Northwest Indian News Honor Day	People of the Pines The World of the Serrano	Making Regalia	People of the Pines Invasion and Response	Make Prayers to the Raven	Dabiyiyuu A Season in the Bush
6:00pm	Native Voice TV Lorissa Garcia			Our Spirits Don't Speak English Indian Boarding Schools	The Modoc War	The Young Ancestors	Path Breakers
6:30pm	On Native Ground: Youth Report	Native Planet New Zealand	Amazonia Eterna				Northwest Indian News Honor Day
7:00pm	Wapos Bay As The Bannock Browns	Wapos Bay Tricks and Treats	Wapos Bay The Hunt	Wapos Bay A Mother's Earth	Wapos Bay Going for Gold	Wapos Bay Raven Power	Wapos Bay Tricks and Treats
7:30pm	Fish Out of Water Batoche: Batoche National Historic Site	Fish Out of Water Bear River First Nation	Fish Out of Water Red Bank First Nation	Fish Out of Water Oconaluftee Indian Village	Fish Out of Water Seminole Tribe	Fish Out of Water The Hawaiian Village	Fish Out of Water Bear River First Nation
8:00pm	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS
8:30pm	Moose T.V. Foreign Film	Oskeyak Down Under	Back in the Day Shelter	Indigenous Focus Tribal Journeys/A Family Heritage	Rez Rides Long Live The King Mg Midget and	Indians and Aliens Sandy Mastly	Cashing In Boys and Their Toys
9:00pm		Animal Songs					The Beginning of the End
9:30pm		Back In Time State of Sequoyah	The Modoc War	Native Planet New Zealand	Tales of Wonder 1	The Activist	California Indian Voices
10:00pm	The Tundra Book						Video Letters from Prison
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11:30pm	Canoe Way	After The Gold Rush					

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**17.1001. Findings, Purpose, and Applicability.**

A. Authority.

1. The Gila River Indian Community has inherent sovereignty to exercise civil authority and jurisdiction over the conduct of Community members and all other persons on all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Gila River Indian Reservation to maintain the environment, natural resources, public health, safety, welfare, political integrity, and economic security of the Community.

2. The intent of this chapter is to exercise the Community's civil jurisdiction to the maximum extent permitted under Montana v. United States, 450 U.S. 544 (1981) to regulate activities of Indians and non-Indians on matters that threaten or affect the health, safety and welfare of the Community, its people, its property and its environment.

B. This chapter is created to provide minimum standards for the protection of the health and welfare of the people of the Gila River Indian Community and non-members, and to prevent the creation or maintenance of unhealthful, unsanitary conditions or public health nuisances, and shall be liberally construed to accomplish these purposes.

C. This chapter applies to all public and semi-public bathing places which reside within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Gila River Indian Community.

D. Section 17.1028 of this Code applies to natural and semi-artificial bathing places and artificial bathing lakes.

E. This chapter does not apply to any of the following:

1. A private residential swimming pool or spa;
2. A swimming pool or spa used for medical treatment or physical therapy and supervised by licensed medical personnel;
3. A Splash Pad that utilizes potable water and does not have a recirculation system.

**17.1002. Preservation of Sovereign Immunity.**

Nothing in this chapter shall be interpreted or construed as consent by the Gila River Indian Reservation, its sub-organizations, or any agent thereof to be sued in any court. This chapter is not a waiver of the Gila River Indian Community's sovereign immunity or consent to be sued for any purpose.

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## Native Acceleration

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focused on preparation for the Piestewa Games track and field competition.

This year, nearly 40 members of Native Acceleration participated and the team brought home a number of gold, silver and bronze medals. Every participant won at least one medal in their category, but exact results of the games were not available at time of print. The team competed at Fountain Hills High School on July 11.

The next edition of the GRIN will include full results of all GRIC teams, who participated in different sports at the Piestewa Games.

Coach Lewis, a member of the Tohono O'otham Nation and former track and field athlete, began the group five years ago to expose the younger generation to the sport – a sport that isn't seen much in schools but comes naturally to

Native American youth.

In the beginning weeks of the camp, Lewis said the main focus for participants is to, "concentrate on proper running mechanics." The team starts off learning basic running training which he termed, 'cover the distance running' which is slow-going but helps runners to pace themselves from the starting line to the finish line without stopping. As they move into weeks three and four, the team concentrates on running faster with full speed.

"What I try to emulate here at the camp is an example of what you will go through if you were on a track and field team and if you are going through a whole track and field training season," said Coach Lewis.

In its first year, the team started with nine participants training four weeks on the Sacaton Middle



Annie Gutierrez/GRIN

**The Native Acceleration Track and Field team shows off its strength at an evening practice in Sacaton.**

School track. Now that the team is in its fifth year, Native Acceleration is at its largest with more than 40 members on the roster ranging from 4-years-old to 50. The team is comprised of Native American youth from various tribes but they all have one goal in mind: to ac-

celerate as athletes and try their best at the summer games.

Mark Fairburn, 16, is a sprinter on the team and has been with the group all five years. During the school year, Fairburn wrestles on the Maricopa High School team but during the summer he is active

on the track participating in sprinting, discus and shot put. Last year he took home gold in his division for shot put and discus.

On his first year with the team, he said, "I was real nervous and new to track and field. ... Now it's my fifth year and I'm more confident. This year we have a lot more people than we've had before and each kid on the team can become better if they keep at it."

His mother, Heather Fairburn, has been active and supportive of Mark and her five other children who are also a part of the team. She has also participated in her age-group during the summer games and has seen much improvement in her children and in the team as well.

"The kids really love this. They anticipate it every year. ... It's a lot of fun – we are growing and everybody is getting involved, especially the parents," she said.

On Coach Lewis' leadership, she said, "I like Nick's skills in coaching them. He makes them feel at home and like one of his own [children]."

Last year the team was named the 2014 Piestewa Games Power Player of the Year. The LPNAG announced the news and introduced the group this year at the Opening Ceremony July 10. In the 2014 games, Native Acceleration took home eighty-six medals with fifty-seven of them gold.

In addition to running, Coach Lewis teaches participants the value of hard work and determination, especially as young leaders, which is a key life value that Mark Fairburn has learned from being on the team.

He said, "With Native Acceleration you can make yourself better not just on the track but as a role model. With it being my fifth year, I feel I have to be a role model to all the other kids."

The Lori Piestewa Native American Games have been dubbed "the Nation's Largest Native American sports festival" and take place every summer in honor of fallen U.S. Army Veteran Lori Ann Piestewa, who died in 2003 while serving in Iraq.

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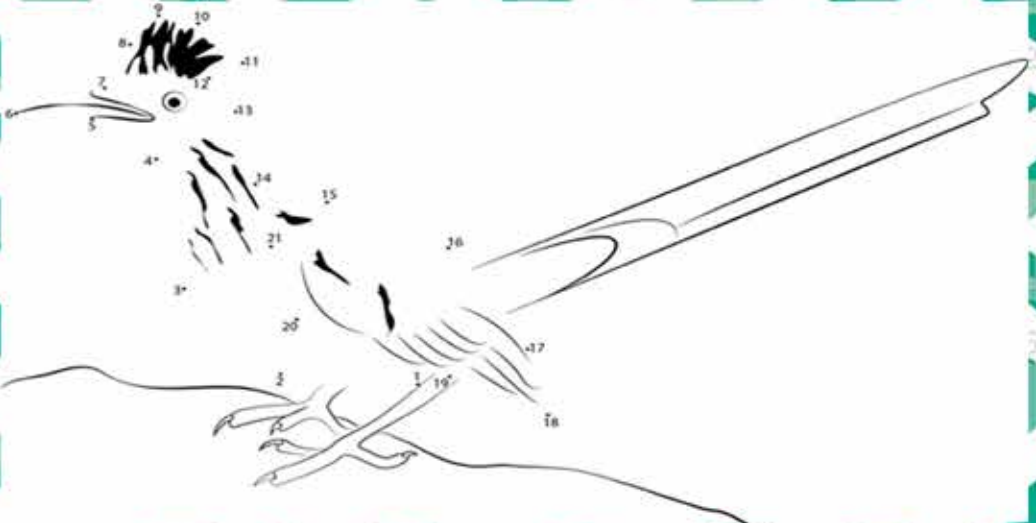
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#### Wordsearch

Find the words that relate the 4th of July.

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## GRPD Cadets Set the Example

The 2015 class of GRPD Youth Cadets were introduced before Council July 1.

By Christopher Lomahquahu  
Gila River Indian News

Eight young individuals from the Gila River Police Department summer cadet program met with tribal administration on June 30.

All of the cadets come from districts across the Community and most are in high school.

The cadets spoke with Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Lt. Gov. Monica Antone to introduce themselves to leadership as participants and to ask questions about the Community’s initiative to promote law enforcement careers among tribal members.

Many of them want to see what exactly goes into being a police officer by participating in the summer cadet program.

Lt. Gov. Antone, looking back on her education in criminal justice and working in correctional facilities in Sacaton spoke about how far Gila River’s police department has grown.

One of her key points is that the police department is growing and would benefit from having Community members serve as police officers.

Part of that vision rests on a proactive approach to attracting individuals.

“We have to go out and look at ways of how we can excite Community members... Law enforcement is a field we need them to go in, even going and getting an education in criminal justice fields are important too,” said Lewis.

By being part of the cadet program, leadership hopes to see them and youth in general steer away from making bad choices and look at the bigger picture.

Antone said, “Always think of [yourselves] as a big sister or brother, because they’re going to watch and see what you do,” emphasizing that siblings look to them for a positive example.

She called upon the cadets to make connections with the Community, emphasizing the importance of being familiar with the people to improve public relations.

Gov. Lewis stated, the roles youth play in the Community have a greater stake in how the tribe will be able to sustain itself in all forms on government. He said, “It is important for you youth to be involved, to be a positive influence, to get your education and to be a part of charting the future of our Community.”

## GRIC Youth Bring O’otham Culture to UNITY 2015 – Washington, D.C.

Youth from across Indian Country gathered in Washington D.C. for the 39th Annual Unity Conference July 9-14. Around 1,700 youths attended. The conference theme was: **Strengthening Self-Identity; Defining the “U” in UNITY.** First Lady Michelle Obama gave a speech at the White House Tribal Youth gathering on July 9, a marquee event that is part of the White House’s Generation Indigenous (Gen-I) Initiative. The First lady said, “Gen-I is about tribal youth coming together and raising their voices for change.”  
 Top: Miss Gila River delegation at UNITY. Bottom: O’otham youth start a social dance in the UNITY ballroom. Photos by Christopher Lomahquahu, GRIN.

## Health and Wellness Initiative Sparks Recreation Summer Youth Event



Ashley Pasqual/GRIN



Ashley Pasqual/GRIN

**Left: Gila River students enjoy water games at the District 1 pool. Right: A team of youth hoist the trophy they won on Summer Youth Fitness day, with Lt. Gov. Monica Antone.**

**By Ashley Pasqual**  
Gila River Indian News

The first ever Gila River Indian Youth Summer Recreation Fitness Day was held this year, on July 13 at the Multi Purpose Building in District 1.

It was an effort made by the Community Services Department, through the Health and Wellness initiative, to promote living healthier lifestyles.

Not only was this triumph something to look forward to at the end of the summer for youth, but a way to boost awareness that one is not too young to recognize their own health and wellness.

“Recreation is not just put-

ting a ball in front of somebody, it’s mentorship, it’s leadership, it’s education,” Lloyd Honyumptewa, Special Events Coordinator for the Community said. “[Community Services Department] are trying to touch on the other aspects that are a lot of times overlooked [and we] don’t really put a lot of emphasis on, so we’re trying to do that with [the health and wellness] initiatives.”

In addition to raise awareness, the Community Services Department also wanted all seven districts to come together and utilize facilities like service centers, wellness center, and multipurpose buildings as a community.

Many kids, ranging from 6-17

years old, rushed out of the tribal vans and gathered in Blackwater’s Multi Purpose Building eager to see what lies ahead of them.

Each youth received a different colored t-shirt and was distinguished by which district they were from.

Lt. Gov. Monica L. Antone began with a few opening remarks. “The Administration is very proud of every one of you and we’re grateful that we could participate today and do a kick-off for health,” she said. “It’s not about district to district, [it’s] not dividing. I want all of you to have unity today. Everyone enjoy yourselves and have fun.”

After Lt. Gov. Antone

thanked staff and youth, the event commenced with a dodge ball tournament where the 5-11 age group from District 3 and the 12-17 age group from District 1, took home the gold within two rounds of competing with other districts

Everyone headed outside, and participated in the Tug-O-War tournament. Recreation Staff vs. WIA summer youth workers also both gave their best shot at winning.

Due to the summer heat, Community Service staff members handed out snow cones and, to the children’s delight, finally opened up the pool.

Magdalena Cervantes, 9, sitting poolside with her brother and cousins, “Me, my brother, Sandra, Gilbert, and Peter,” she mentioned, all live in District 3 and did not want to go home just yet.

District 1 Recreation Coordinator, Cruz Yucupisio, who has been working with Recreation for a year and a half now, was excited to have District 1 host this Fitness Day event.

“It’s different from what I’m used to doing. I’m used to being a grunt out there and getting all messy and dirty and fixing things,” he said. “I enjoy it and I enjoy the kids!”

## A Rawhide Fourth of July

**By Ashley Pasqual**  
Gila River Indian News

As many Americans spend Fourth of July with family barbecues, Community members and folks from the Phoenix area gathered to celebrate Independence Day at Rawhide’s “Red White & Rawhide” on July 4.

General admission was \$30 per person at the gate and the event was filled with many activities for attendees of all ages to enjoy. Rawhide had water slides, plenty of good food, Lucha Libre matches and live entertainment which featured A.B. Quintanilla and Los Kumbia King All Starz, Chris Perez, American Idol winner David Cook, and The Electric Cowboys.

Families dined on frybread and the classic all-American BBQ buffet offered inside. Vendors were also invited to sell their products and gifts, such as jewelry, candles, clothing items, and much more, indoors.

Outside, where the temperature reached about 90 degrees, children cooled off with snow cones and glided down on one of the tallest inflatable water slides in the country!

Rawhide’s Western Town was also open and attendees experienced Arizona’s “Wild West.” The town was packed with visitors and one could catch country stars, Matt Farris and

Caleche Ryder perform their famous songs.

As the sun set and the weather cooled, the crowds expanded with more enthusiastic faces of people. The stage was lit up and music came booming out of the speakers from invited musical guests. Rawhide honored Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and the Gila River Indian Community for hosting this event.

Gov. Lewis mentioned not to forget our veterans who served this country to help protect and keep our freedom and independence. “We value our veterans [in the Gila River Indian Community],” he said, “we value our traditions, and culture.”


Governor also mentioned Gila River Community member, Ira H. Hayes who served in World War II and helped raise the American flag on Mount Suribachi.

This fun filled event was exciting and not only did the stage light up the night, but Rawhide held on to the heart of a Fourth of July celebration with the national anthem and fireworks “bursting in air” to end the night.



Ashley Pasqual/GRIN

**Families walk through Rawhide Western Town enjoying the Fourth of July holiday.**



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# Native American Basketball Invitational

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the Community in the tournament, Gila River and Gila River Warriors, and one girls team, the Beeliners.

Each of the three teams put on a show as they took on their opponents from states as near as New Mexico and far away as Alaska.

Although the Gila River teams made an impressive run for the championship, they were eliminated from contention in single elimination match-ups on Thursday and Friday.

Early in the tournament, the Beeliners took on a California team called Red Storm, but unfortunately feel to them in a 58-33 decision.

In their last game of the tournament, the GR Warriors put up a fierce fight as they trailed the Colville Tribe at the Virginia G. Piper Sport & Fitness center in Phoenix Thursday evening.

Chipping the lead down to as little as four points, teammates Isaiah Pedro and Vinson Thomas drowned three pointers, free throws and scored inside with fast breaks to get them back in the game.

Ultimately the rally fell short as the GR Warriors were eliminated from the tournament by a score of 44-40.

In an early morning Friday match-up at the Scottsdale Community College Physical Education building, the Gila River boys lost by one point 59-58 to One Tribe out of New Mexico after winning their previous two games Thursday.

On Saturday when the buzzers sounded on the last of the NABI games there were two teams that took the Gold Division Championship and Silver Division Championship at Talking Stick Resort Arena, formerly US Airways Center.

The girls team Nez Perce (with tribal members from the Nez Perce, Yakama and Tulalip tribes of Idaho) took a three-point victory over the Cheyenne Arapaho team to win it 78-75 and were crowned the Gold Division champions.

Mesa team, AZ Warriors 1, took the boys Gold Division championship over Northern Reign with a commanding lead of 72-49.

Walking away with the championships in the Silver Division were the boys team Elite AZ from Chinle, Ariz. on the Navajo Nation, who defeated the Blue Sky Boys, and girls team Flying Squirrel from Chambers, Ariz., who carried a six point lead over

Pretty Tough, winning 48-42.

After the games had concluded for each of the Gila River teams, the coaches had time to think about their experience entering teams into the NABI tournament.

Beeliners coach Robert Paul, plans to have his team continue participating in tournaments, because they put a lot of hard work into playing as one.

“We go through drills, [we] go through everything to compete [here],” said Paul. Coaching a team doesn’t just mean teaching the fundamentals of basketball, but seeing them go on to bigger things and being successful.

Paul said, “We try to...keep them out of trouble, because [we] encourage them to keep their grades up and be involved in sports in school.”

Gila River Warriors coach James Burrell, having played basketball while growing up, wanted to share his passion of the sport with the youth.

Following his team’s performance at this year’s tournament, Burrell said, “I’m very proud of them because we only have been together for about four months. It was sort of a challenge to get them to connect, but when it came to NABI it changed the way [they] played...in a good way.” In looking ahead to next year he would like to continue coaching.

“I feel in my heart that I want to do it again next year,” said Burrell.

GR Warrior Vinson “Vinnie” Thomas of District 3 said, “It’s my first time playing, so it’s been a good experience.” In taking away from his experience at NABI he said, “We’re good right now, but I know [we] could be better...I hope to be back next year.”

Gila River boy’s coach Rudy Flores was happy with his group of players.

Throughout the years he has seen a lot of his players develop and go to different tournaments. Flores said, “You take these boys to different places, so [they] can get to know different teams and people.”

The Gila River Indian News would like to congratulate all the teams that participated in the NABI basketball tournament.



Top: Manda Antone (white jersey) of the Beeliners Gila River girls team drives down the court.

Bottom: Coach James Burrell of the Gila River Warriors instructs the team during a timeout.

Photos by Christopher Lomahquahu, GRIN.



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### Jukbig Mashath

The name for this month translates to ‘the rainy month’ and refers to the arrival of the summer rains.

During the middle of thoñap (summer time) one thing that was on the minds of all of us a’al (kids) was the subject of spending money. At an early age we were introduced to the concept of lial (money), its value and how to earn it. In our family we all were assigned chores to do during the day, to keep up a tidy household. We were all paid a small allowance for certain chores. For us boys, that included work like chopping firewood, cleaning the yard, maintaining the garden, and watering all of our ornamental plants. Sometimes our farming relatives would need help in weeding their many cotton fields, and all us siblings would be recruited by eñ o:g (our father) to help them out.

On work days we would all be roused long before sunrise and fed breakfast before being sent to the cotton fields with kavmol (weeding hoe), vakua (canteen) and lunch pails in hand. We were always happy to work for our relatives because this meant that we would get paid lial (cold hard cash) at the end of the workday.

Most of our paper money was given to eñ je’e (our mother) to save for us to buy school clothes at the end of summer break. We were allowed to keep all the single dollar bills and loose change and kept them in assorted banks such as empty coffee cans or empty pickle jars.

In the early trading days, back when our Community was under Spanish and Mexican rule the standard currency was known as the real and peso de ocho. These names were adopted by our ancestors and “O’othamized” as “lial” and “pi:sh”. When American money was introduced after the Gadsden purchase in 1853, the O’otham applied lial and pi:sh to the new coins and bills that appeared. Pi:sh became the standard term for dollar bills and dollar coins. Coins less in value than a dollar were a different matter and descriptors were applied that represented their value in cents and usually included “lial” to identify them as coins. S-oa:mchu describes a penny’s color but it’s understood that its value is one cent. Every coin was then given its O’otham name: s-oa:mchu, a penny; mi:yo, a nickel; hemako lial, a dime; go:k lial, a quarter; gi’ik lial, a fifty cent coin; pi:sh, a silver dollar coin or a single dollar bill.

On certain days and during the weekends we would often hear the loud chimes of s-io’ov gev ha gagdatham (the ice cream man) as he slowly cruised through the village looking for his loyal customers. All us a’al would run to the roadway and await his arrival with hard earned lial jingling in our pockets. Sometimes Lulu’u (grandmother on mother’s side) and Baba’a (grandfather mother’s side) would give us their orders for a nice cool treat during the heat of the day. They both liked ice cream sandwiches and snow cones. Today the ice cream vendors still make their rounds and a’al still meet them at the roadside with lial jingling in their pockets, and yup grandma or grandpa still gives them their orders.

This month’s word match will focus on coins. We encourage you to learn the names of the coins and use them in your everyday lives. We also encourage you to find ways to keep cool and enjoy your summer!

Match the O’otham Insect name with its Picture! Solution on Page 14

s-oa:mchu



hemako lial



gi’ik lial



mi:yo



go:k lial



Pi:sh



# Council Secretary Shannon White Appointed to Second Term

**By Mikhail Sundust**  
Gila River Indian News

Shannon White has been the Community Council Secretary since July 2014 and was reappointed for another year earlier this month. She was sworn into her second term on July 1.

White is originally from Goodyear in District 4, but moved to Sacaton when she was 7 and lived there for a number of years. She now has five grown children and four grandsons. Her mother is an active 84-year-old, who quilts often and plays the piano at Vah Ki Presbyterian Church. Her husband is from District 5, where they are hoping to move soon.

Her father was a Military Police Officer in the Army and her oldest brother was in the Marine Corps. They had a strong influence on how the family operated, but her father passed when she was still young. Her sisters were also a strong support system while growing up. The youngest of 11 children, White was raised to be self-reliant and take initiative.

"I was always taught to do it right the first time so you don't have to do it again. If you make a mistake, own up to it and don't make excuses," she said in an interview in her office.

Those traits have helped her in her extensive career with the Gila River Indian Community and especially now as Council Secretary.

Over the years, she has

worked for Gila River Telecommunications, Inc., Gila Crossing Community School, the Department of Public Works, and the GRIC Office of the Community Manager. While at OCM, she oversaw the transfer of all offices from the old government building to the new Governance Center in 2006.

White oversees nine staff members in the Community Council Secretary's Office. Her job is to arrange the agendas for the Council meetings; prepare the information packets for the Council members to have in advance of the meetings; attend, document and transcribe regular and special meetings; and process the appropriate documents going to and coming from Council. It's her responsibility to maintain notes, transcripts, minutes, action sheets and any resolutions or other legislative actions taken by the Council. Her staff does all the same work for the Standing Committee members and meetings.

A lot of the time that means staying after 5 p.m., until the meetings wrap up, sometimes late into the night. It requires and in-depth knowledge of policies, procedures and guidelines and regular communication with tribal departments and Community members who have requests for Council.

"Anything I do is a reflection on the Council," she said. It's important that she executes her work with precision and that she keeps

her staff and others in accordance with policies and procedures.

Her first task when she was appointed in July of last year was to strictly enforce policies and procedures. The Community Council Secretary's Office processes and maintains a lot of important documents for the tribe, such as Council resolutions, ordinances, meeting minutes and other legislative motions.

To keep up with those responsibilities requires strict discipline while sticking to policies and procedures, something White does very well and something she expects from her staff as well.

"This office should be the example, not the exception," she said, about her department's professional performance. CCSO is filled with dedicated and hard-working employees, she

ty Election Board. That means additional meetings on weekends and after work hours every month.

"Having young children in this position is really difficult," she said, because it is a very demanding job that requires a lot of overtime. Luckily, all of her children are grown and have their own families, lives, and responsibilities.

Nonetheless, she said, "I love this job. I love what I do." She loves the job because it keeps her busy, the policies are very structured, and it is a detail-oriented job.



Roberto A. Jackson/CPAO

Council Secretary Shannon White after being sworn into her second term July 1.

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# Hope Worldwide

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of the Mississippi to take part in a four-day workshop of lectures and worship on the word of God.

As part of their service project this year, Hope Worldwide Phoenix chapter director Georgi Stratton contacted the four community schools to seek permission to have students come in and give facility maintenance a helping hand in cleaning the schools.

With Gila Crossing's new school year beginning on July 29, GCCS facility maintenance manager Anthony Holguin was relieved to see the help after the school board gave permission to the group to service the school.

Holguin said his three workers in facility maintenance have been working hard adding restrooms and repairing classrooms especially to make sure the campus and rooms are American with Disability ACT (ADA) compliant for students.

Approximately 300 volunteers converged onto GCCS campus and quickly went to work inside the building. Helpers worked together to clean the walls and bleachers of the gymnasium/cafeteria, bathrooms, offices and classrooms. They also added a fresh coat of white paint to classroom and lobby walls including the entrance and exit doors which

they painted blue.

This is the first time the Hope Worldwide organization and the students have visited the reservation. For 21-year-old college student Priscilla Casas, it was a new experience attending the conference and contributing to the tribe's elementary school with rich history.

"This whole weekend has taught me that by serving people you're serving God," said a humble Casas. "It's not about me. It's about them. I had an amazing time and an amazing experience and I feel this has impacted me more than it's going to impact the students that attend here."

Cleaning the school in preparation of the new 2015 - 2016 school year is a busy task for facility maintenance workers in three months but students finished their duties within three hours before loading on the bus to their next destination.

The Hope Worldwide is a charity organization created in 1991. They partner with other programs and have a strong volunteer force. The international charity is committed to giving back to poor and needy communities around the world.



Annie Gutierrez/GRIN

## Remembering Gila River Police/Ranger William "Bill" Cox

07/26/1968 – 06/05/2015

By the Gila River Police Department

On June 5, 2015 the Gila River Indian Community and Police Department lost a dear friend, husband, father and Police Ranger after having undergone medical procedures just a day before.

Ranger Bill Cox served as a police officer for the Gila River Police Department since the beginning of 2007. His experience went beyond that in law enforcement as he had been serving in that capacity since 1996 when he started with the Snowflake Police Department, and eventually served with St. Johns and Florence Police Departments before transferring to Gila River.

Ranger Cox was remembered for his laughter and ability to make others feel better no matter how bad a situation was. He loved serving the Community in his capacity as a Ranger.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, June 20 at 10 a.m. at the Christ Church of the Valley in Mesa, Ariz. Services were held with Police Honors. Police Officers, Fire Fighters and Community members from GRIC and the other Communities he served were in attendance.

Ranger Cox sadly leaves behind his wife of over 20 years, Kim (who was his high school sweetheart), two children (adults) and two grandchildren.



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**SOUTHWEST GAS**

# Community Council Action Sheets Wednesday July 1, 2015

## ACTION SHEET

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

### CALL TO ORDER

The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday July 1, 2015, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by presiding Chairman Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:16am

### INVOCATION

Provided by Councilman Carol Schurz

### ROLL CALL

Sign-in Sheet Circulated

Executive Officers Present:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Lt. Governor Monica Antone

Council Members Present:

D1- Joey Whitman, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3- Carolyn Williams; D4- Jennifer Allison, Angelia Allison, Christopher Mendoza; D5-Janice F. Stewart, Robert Stone; D6-Sandra Nasewytewa

Council Members Absent:

D3-Rodney Jackson; D4-Nada Celaya; D5-Brian Davis, Sr., Franklin Pablo, Sr.; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr., Albert Pablo; D7- Devin Redbird

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVED AS AMENDED

### SWEARING IN CEREMONY

1. Shannon White, Council Secretary

Presenter: Chief Judge Anthony Hill

CHIEF JUDGE ANTHONY HILL DELIVERED THE OATH OF OFFICE TO MS. SHANNON WHITE.

(15-Minute Reception in Chambers Lobby)

[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 15-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 9:51AM]

### PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Introduction Of The New Human Resources Director - Shawna Schultz

Presenter: Pamela Thompson

MS. PAMELA THOMPSON, COMMUNITY MANAGER INTRODUCED MS. SHAWNA SCHULTZ. MS. SCHULTZ PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HER BACKGROUND AND HER PLANS FOR THE DEPARTMENT. GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS AND VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME AND ENCOURAGEMENT.

2. Introduction Of New Director – Ron Lopez Department Of Rehabilitation & Supervision

Presenter: Manuel Johnson

MR. MANUEL JOHNSON PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF MR. RON LOPEZ'S BACKGROUND. MR. LOPEZ PROVIDED AN OVERVIEW OF HIS PLANS FOR THE DEPARTMENT. GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS AND VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME AND ENCOURAGEMENT.

3. Introduction Of The New Employee – Claude Jackson Defense Service Office

Presenter: Michelle Bowman

MS. MICHELLE BOWMAN INTRODUCED MR. CLAUDE JACKSON. MR. JACKSON PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HIS BACKGROUND AND HIS PLANS FOR THE DEPARTMENT. GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS, LT. GOVERNOR MONICA L. ANTONE AND VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME AND ENCOURAGEMENT.

4. Introduction of 2015 Gila River Police Department Summer Police Cadets

Presenter: Officer Poolaw

OFFICER ROBERT GONZALES INTRODUCED THE PROGRAM AND OFFICER POOLAW, OFFICER MILANA, AND OFFICER SMITH. OFFICER POOLAW PROVIDED A BRIEF BACKGROUND OF THE PROGRAM. EACH OF THE 2015 POLICE CADETS INTRODUCED THEMSELVES. GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSED WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

5. Introduction of New Director- Isaac Saucedo Department of Education

Presenter: Pamela Thompson

MS. PAMELA THOMPSON, COMMUNITY MANAGER INTRODUCED MR. ISAAC SAUCEDO. MR. SAUCEDO PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HIS BACKGROUND AND HIS PLANS FOR THE DEPARTMENT. GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME AND ENCOURAGEMENT.

6. Introduction of the New Director – Shirley Jackson of the

Huhugam Heritage Center

Presenter: Michelle Bowman

MS. MICHELLE BOWMAN INTRODUCED MS. SHIRLEY JACKSON. MS. JACKSON PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HER BACKGROUND AND HER PLANS FOR THE DEPARTMENT. GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS, LT. GOVERNOR MONICA L. ANTONE AND VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME AND ENCOURAGEMENT.

### REPORTS

\*1. Legislative Education Report

Presenter: Arizona Senator Carlyle W. Begay LD-7

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO TABLE REPORTS #1 THRU #3

\*2. 2014 Indian Education Annual Report

Presenter: Arizona Senator Carlyle W. Begay LD-7

TABLED AT REPORT #1

\*3. 2014 Native American Education Status Report

Presenter: Arizona Senator Carlyle W. Begay

TABLED AT REPORT #1

\*4. Sacaton Elementary School Quarter 2 Report SY 2014-2015

Presenter: Leslie Rychel

### REPORT HEARD

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

5. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. – Monthly Report April 2015 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Janice Ponziani, GRGE Board Of Directors

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

6. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc – Monthly Report - May 2015 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Janice Ponziani, Kenneth Manuel, GRGE Board Of Directors

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 60-MINUTE LUNCH BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 1:30PM]

7. Four Rivers Indian Legal Services Semi Annual Status Report

Presenter: Fred Pinsky

### REPORT HEARD

8. GRIC Head Start monthly Report for April 2015

Presenter: Christa Caamano

### REPORT HEARD

9. Gila River Indian Community Tribal Education Department Johnson O'Malley Program Quarter 3 Report SY 2014-2015

Presenter: Marissa Yazzie

### REPORT HEARD

10. Gila River Voter Registration Board – Annual Report FY 2014

Presenter: Hazel Lewis

### TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

11. Gila River Indian Irrigation & Drainage District - Quarterly Report

Presenter: Ronald Allison

### REPORT HEARD

12. Human Resources Department – Monthly Dashboard Report January – May 2015

Presenters: Shawna Schultz, Pamela Thompson

### REPORT HEARD

13. GRHC FY15 Semi-Annual Tobacco Tax Report

Presenters: Myron G. Schurz, GRHC Representatives

### REPORT HEARD

[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 4:17PM]

14. TLOA Update, Jan - March 2015

Presenter: Judge Anthony Hill

### REPORT HEARD

15., Court of Appeals Update

Presenter: Judge Anthony Hill

### REPORT HEARD

16., Vechij Himdag MaschamakuD Q3 Report SY14

Presenter: Kim Franklin

### REPORT HEARD

17., Vechij Himdag MaschamakuD Annual Report 2013-2014

Presenter: Kim Franklin

### REPORT HEARD

18. GRIC Head Start 2015 May Monthly Report

Presenter: Christa Camaano

### REPORT HEARD

### RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution Authorizing The Tribal Social Services To Submit A Grant Application To The United States Department Of Health And Human Services, Administration For Children And Families, Administration On Children, Youth And Families, Children Bureau Title IV-B Child And Family Services Plan (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation for approval, H&SSC concurs)

Presenter: Deannah Neswood-Gishey

### APPROVED

2. A Resolution Approving The Fiscal Year 2016 Gila River Indian Community Housing Plan For Implementation And Submittal To The United States Department Of Housing And Urban Development (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Laurie Thomas

### APPROVED

3. A Resolution Approving The Statement of Relationship Between The United States Fish And Wildlife Service, Southwest Region And The Gila River Indian Community (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Tana Fitzpatrick, Ondrea Barber,

Barnaby V. Lewis

### APPROVED

4. A Resolution Granting 1.3922 Acres, More Or Less, Of Reservation Land In District Three To The Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Rights Of Way Corridor And Utility Easement As Shown In Drawing No. 40314-1283-EA (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual

### APPROVED

5. A Resolution Granting 0.1238 Acres, More Or Less, Of Reservation Land In District Six To The Gila River Indian Community Department of Public Works For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Utility Easement And Rights Of Way Corridor As Shown In Drawing No. 40614-1344-EA (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Pamela Pasqual

### APPROVED

6. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 1805 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Two Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Pamela Pasqual

### APPROVED

7. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 390 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Four Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Pamela Pasqual

### APPROVED

8. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 176 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Four Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Pamela Pasqual

### APPROVED

9. A Resolution Approving the Submission Of A Refunding Application For A Continuation Grant To The American Indian Alaska Native Program Branch, Head Start Bureau, Department of Health And Human Service In Order To Provide Refunding For The Head Start/Early Head Start Program (ESC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval with added memorandum under Resolutions)

Presenter: Christa Caamano

### APPROVED

### ORDINANCES

1. The Gila River Indian Community Council Hereby Enacts The Community Public And Semi-Public Pool And Spa Ordinance To Be Codified At Title 17, Chapter 10, Of The Gila River Indian Community Code (LSC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval; H&SSC concurs) Presenters: Janice Anderson, Javier Leon, Linda Sauer

### APPROVED

2. The Gila River Indian Community Council Hereby Amends The 2009 Gila River Indian Community Code By Repealing Current Title 10 And Enacting An Amendment To Title 10 Of The Gila River Indian Community Code (LSC moved to

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forward to Community Council with recommendation for approval with changes regarding "administrator of estate".)

Presenter: Tana Fitzpatrick

APPROVED

3. The Gila River Indian Community Council Hereby Amends The 2009 Gila River Indian Community Code By Rescinding Title 17, Chapter 9, Medical And Health Care Research Code, And Enacts The Revised Medical And Health Care Research Code (LSC moved to forward to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Rebecca Hall

APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Office of General Counsel – Request For A Special

Presenter: Linus Everling

MOTION MADE, SECOND AND DEFEATED TO SCHEDULE A WORK SESSION JULY 23 & 24 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SCHEDULE THE WATER MEETING ON AUGUST 13 & 14, HERE IN THE COUNCIL BUILDING

2. Gila River Indian Community – Organizational Restructure (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council for discussion and possible action)

Presenters: Governor Stephen R. Lewis, Pamela Thompson

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DISPENSE AND HAVE IT BROUGHT BACK THROUGH THE PROCESS NEW BUSINESS

\*1. Information On First Things First Summit 2015 (H&SSC forwards to Council)

Presenter: Melissa Madrid

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE REGISTRATION FOR ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL TO ATTEND

2. Office Of The Treasurer – Request For A Council Work Session (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council, the Treasurer's request for a Council Work Session on September 24, 2015)

Presenter: Treasurer Robert G. Keller

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SCHEDULE A COUNCIL WORK SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2015

3. Re: No Build in District 5- Wren St. Lot 4, Lot 28, Lot 29 (LSC moved to forward to Community Council for discussion)

Presenter: Bernadean C. Lewis

MOTION MADE AND SECOND THERE BE NO HOMESITE ASSIGNMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING HOMESITE LOTS IN DISTRICT 5: CASA BLANCA LOT 4 SUBDIVISION LOT

#S 28 & 29; FURTHER DIRECTING LUP&Z TO MODIFY THE SUBDIVISION PLAT MAP REMOVING LOTS 28 & 29 AND FORWARDING THE AMENDED PLAT MAP TO THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL; LASTLY, THE TWO COMMUNITY MEMBERS AFFECTED BE PLACED IN THE NEXT APPROPRIATE HOMESITES AVAILABLE

4. Constitutional Amendment (LSC moved to forward a request for a Special Council Meeting for Constitutional Amendments)

Presenters: Committee

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING ON JULY 13, 2015 AT 1:00PM IN THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

5. Economic Development Standing Committee Declaration of Vacancy and Appointment Of One (1) Council Seat

Presenters: Community Council

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DECLARE A VACANCY NADA CELAYA APPOINTED

MINUTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:34PM

\* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES**



**Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority**



**New GRICUA Board Member**

**Mike Bennett**

GRICUA is pleased to welcome Mike Bennett to our Board of Directors. Mr. Bennett is a resident of District Four. He is a semi-retired father of six and a grandfather of four. Mr. Bennett was appointed to the GRICUA Board at the May 20, 2015 Council meeting.



**GRICUA Youth Board Intern**

**Anissa Garcia**

GRICUA has selected Anissa Garcia from District Three as the Youth Board Intern. Ms. Garcia is 20 years old and currently attends Central Arizona College and she is a member of the Akimel O'odham/Pee-Posh Youth Council.

**GRICUA Budget Billing**

You don't need to guess to predict your future energy bills. GRICUA Budget Billing is a no cost program that balances the seasonal highs and lows of your bill to make your payments predictable each month and enhance your family's budgeting. Call (520) 796-0600 today and learn about this new budget billing program.

**Reminders**

**GRICUA District Days 2015**

GRICUA will be at the Public Health Resource Center (433 W Seedfarm Rd in Sacaton) on the following days to accept payments from 10am to 3pm: August 6, September 3, October 8, November 5, December 7

**Call Before You Dig!**

GRICUA is a member of Arizona Blue Stake. Please call 1-800-782-5348 to request an underground line locate of both GRICUA and SCIP on reservation facilities. GRICUA welcomes your comments. You can email comments to gricuacomment@gricua.net. You can also go to our website at www.gricua.net.

**GRICUA's Hours of Operation**

Monday – Friday 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Payments are accepted on-line and by phone both during our normal operating hours as well as after hours. If you have any questions regarding your statement or payment options please call during normal business hours.

**What's New at GRICUA?**

**GRICUA Home Energy Consultation**

GRICUA is now offering home energy consultation to help you conserve energy. The consultation will consist of a room by room observation of energy usage such as lighting, appliances, electronics, HVAC settings, water heater settings, etc. At the end of the walk-through of your home, the GRICUA Representative will provide you with a check list that shows the areas of the home that were inspected and a summary of observations regarding energy usage and suggestions on ways you may be able to reduce energy consumption in the home. Please note that the resident is responsible for any repairs or improvements. Appointments are limited. Please call GRICUA at 520-796-0600 to schedule an appointment.

**GRICUA Summer Interns**

Erica Dawahoya is from District 4. She is a junior at Corona del Sol High School in Tempe. Erica is part Pima, Hopi and Yaqui. She is the youngest of seven children. Some of her hobbies include listening to music, reading, painting and drawing. Erica hopes to go to college and get a degree in Psychology, so she can become a social worker.

Nathan Clark is from District 2 and is 16 years old. He is currently attending Coolidge High School in Coolidge. Nathan likes to stay active and draw. He enjoys playing sports and games. Nathan likes to think of himself as a goofy, funny, nice, smart guy. He applied for the GRICUA Internship to get out of the house and not waste his summer.

Blaine Lewis is from District 1, but currently lives in Casa Blanca. Blaine just graduated from Vista Grande High School in Casa Grande on May 21, 2015. His former teacher, Miss Yazzie, from the Johnson O'Malley (JOM) Program, encouraged Blaine to apply for GRICUA's internship. Blaine likes to fish whenever he gets a chance.

Jay Johnson is from District 4. This is his second internship with GRICUA. Jay will spend his summer with the GRICUA Line Crew. He is a senior at Arizona State University. Jay is majoring in Math with a minor in Geology. For fun, he likes to play basketball and hang out with friends.



Top row, left to right: Erica Dawahoya and Nathan Clark  
Bottom row, left to right: Blaine Lewis and Jay Johnson.

**Public Notice**

**NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIRTH FATHER**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO "JOHN DOE" that you have been identified by Elsie A. Molina aka Elsie Aileen Molina, the natural mother, as a potential father of MARICELLA ADELIA MOLINA who was born on May 31, 2003 in Casa Grande, Arizona, County of Pinal, and LUCIANA ANALICIA MOLINA who was born on October 10, 2006 in Casa Grande, Arizona, County of Pinal.

You are HEREBY NOTIFIED, that:

1. A Petition for termination of Parental Rights of MARICELLA ADELIA MOLINA and LUCIANA ANALICIA MOLINA has been filed with the Children's Court of the Gila River Indian Community. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter under the Gila River Indian Community Children's Code.

2. YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear for an Answer/Response Hearing and answer or appear as an interested party to the Petition before the Gila River Indian Community Children's Court. If you fail to appear the court may issue a default judgment against you. This matter has been scheduled at the place, date, and time set forth below:

Sacaton Children's Court  
721 West Seed Farm Road  
Sacaton, Arizona 85147  
(520) 562-9860

Before the Hon. Jay Pedro/JC 2015-0146

Date: August 27, 2015

Time: 9:00 A.M.

3. If you wish to assert parental rights to the children described, and/or if you wish to contest the proposed termination petition, your obligations are as follows:

(A) Appear at the scheduled Answer/Response Hearing set for August 27, 2015 at 9:00 am. at the Sacaton Children's Court.

(B) You may initiate a paternity action and are required to serve the Petitioners in this matter, through undersigned counsel, within thirty (30) days of the completion of service of this Notice:

Tamera C Shanker  
The Shanker Law Firm, PLC  
700 East Baseline Road, Bldg. B  
Tempe, Arizona 85283  
(480) 838-9300

(C) You must proceed to judgment in any initiated paternity action.

(D) You may seek to obtain custody of the children.

(E) If you are established as the children's father you must begin to provide financial support for the children.

4. You may wish to consult with an attorney to assist you in contesting the termination proceedings, initiating a paternity action or determining what cause of action you wish to take in response to this Notice. If you would like legal counsel you may contact the Defense Services Offices at (520) 562-5700.

DATED this 14 day of July, 2015.

The Shanker Law Firm, P.L.C.

Tamera C. Shanker  
Attorney for Prospective Adoptive Parents

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

The Gila River Indian Community Council has declared the following Board vacancy:

Board/Committee	Number of Vacancies	Deadline
Community Judge Alternate Community Member	One (1)	July 27, 2015 12:00 noon

Community members interested in serving as the Community Judge Alternate on the Court of Appeals must submit one original copy of a Letter of Interest, a Résumé, an Application/Affidavit, and Financial Disclosure Statement to the Community Council Secretary's Office by the deadline date, (include your address, phone number and email address on your résumé). Community Council Secretary's Office is located at the Governance Center, 525 West Gu u Ki, mailing address P.O. Box 2138, Sacaton, AZ 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720

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

The Gila River Indian Community Council has declared the following vacancies:



Board/Committee	Number of Vacancies	Deadline
Gila River Indian Community Treasurer Mentee	Deadline Extended Three (3)	July 27, 2015 12:00 noon

Community Members interested in serving as a Gila River Indian Community Treasurer Mentee, must submit one original copy of a Letter of Interest, a Résumé, an Application/Affidavit, and the Financial Disclosure 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 located at the Governance Center, 525 West Gu u Ki, mailing address P.O. Box 2138, Sacaton, AZ 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720.

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Pursuant to GRIC 2011 Code of Conduct, Chapter 6, Section 1.601.C.4: *All individuals who apply for a vacancy shall submit to the Community Council Secretary a letter of interest, resume, an application and financial disclosure statement in a form as may be prescribed by the Community Council from time to time and an affidavit attesting that he/she has not been or is not: a) convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude, as defined in Title 1, chapter 2, Section 1.201.B., in the preceding five years; b) removed from office pursuant to this title in any of the preceding five years; c) currently delinquent with respect to a debt owed to the Community; d) able to meet any other condition imposed by the office in questions. The GRIC 2011 Code of Conduct, application, financial disclosure, and affidavit can be obtained from the Community Council Secretary's Office.*

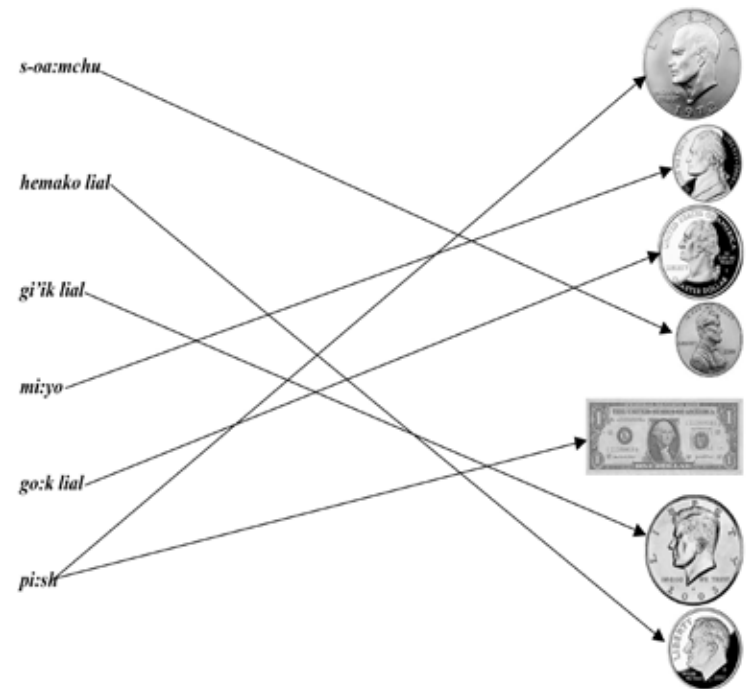
**Gila River Indian Community**  
 Pesticide Control Office  
**Bed Bug Survey**





This survey is part of an effort to determine how common bed bug infestations are in the Community and what efforts are currently being conducted to address them.

Take the survey at [www.gricdeq.org](http://www.gricdeq.org) and please email, mail or drop off your completed survey to the designated drop box at any of the GRIC service centers or the DEQ office. 45 S. Church St., P.O. Box 2139 Sacaton, AZ 85147 [gric.pesticide.office@gric.nsn.us](mailto:gric.pesticide.office@gric.nsn.us)

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**GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY**  
 Community Council Secretary's Office

**FORMAL WRITTEN REPRIMAND**

As a result of an external investigation by an outside law firm of allegations contained in a Code of Conduct complaint filed against former Governor Gregory Mendoza, and following a Special Meeting on June 1, 2015, the Community Council has found that while in office Mr. Mendoza violated the Code of Conduct in connection with his arrest by the Scottsdale Police Department on December 20, 2014 for driving under the influence of alcohol. At the time of the arrest, Mr. Mendoza was driving a Community vehicle for unauthorized and unofficial purposes. Mr. Mendoza's conduct violated the Code of Conduct, Section 1.403(H), which prohibits officials from using Community property "other than as authorized and approved for official purposes and activities." In addition, at the Special Meeting, the Council was advised that there were sufficient facts to find that Mr. Mendoza engaged in an act of "moral turpitude," as defined by Code of Conduct, Section 1.201(B), and that on May 13, 2015, Mr. Mendoza pled guilty in the Scottsdale City Court to one count of driving under the influence.

Although he received a copy of the Code of Conduct complaint and was offered the opportunity to respond to the findings of the Special Investigator, Mr. Mendoza declined to be a part of the investigation that resulted in these findings and failed to appear at the Special Meeting.

Section 1.502(A) of the Code of Conduct provides for various disciplinary sanctions for violations, including public reprimands.

**Mr. Mendoza is hereby publicly reprimanded for his conduct in violation of the Gila River Indian Community Code of Conduct.**

*Section 1.403(H) of the Code of Conduct provides:*  
**Unauthorized Personal Use of Property or Funds of the Community.** No Official shall use any property of the Community or any other public property of any kind other than as authorized and approved for official purposes and activities. Such persons shall properly protect and conserve all such property, equipment and supplies that are so entrusted, assigned or issued to them.

*Section 1.402 of the Code of Conduct provides:*  
**General Standards of Conduct.**  
 All Officials shall comply with the standards of Article XII § 2 of the Constitution as codified in GRIC Code Sections 1.201.A. and 1.201.C. Convictions for crime of moral turpitude under GRIC Code Section 1.201.B. will be handled separately by the Community Council and are not actionable under this Code of Conduct. The Community Council retains the power to move any matter to removal proceedings outside of the Code of Conduct at any time.

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permit is not required for outside cooking, campfires, cultural purposes, branding of livestock, and for providing warmth.

Gila River Fire Department seasonally addresses an Open burn restriction moratorium to the GRIC in event of increasingly hot dry weather conditions which does not include warming or cooking fires. Ensure a capable adult is watching the fire at all times, ensure you either have a proper tool or hose to extinguish the fire, ensure you have plenty of clearance from other combustibles, when done burning extinguish your fire thoroughly, also keep in mind that DEQ's burn permits are subject to GRIC Fire Department fire restrictions. And lastly if you are unable to manage the fire you created please call 911 immediately for assistance.

Working together to keep the Gila River Indian Community safe each year is an ongoing effort that takes the cooperation of not only our Community members but our GRIC employees as well. The Chemical-Tribal Emergency Response Commission strives to ensure that we keep the Community aware of what efforts are being done to ensure the safety of our Community.

For more information on the Residential & Agriculture Burn Permit Application or how to obtain it contact the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) at 520-562-2234 or visit the website [www.GRICDEQ.org](http://www.GRICDEQ.org)

For more information on Department of Transportation's ongoing maintenance efforts, contact GRIC DOT at 520-562-6110

For more information on the GRIC Fire Department's Burn Moratorium contact the GRIC Fire Department at 520-796-5900



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If you are interested or have questions, contact Natalyn Begay at:  
(520) 562-7940

### West Nile Virus

The West Nile Virus infection is an illness transmitted to humans primarily by mosquitoes. Flooded areas provide ideal conditions for mosquitoes to breed in stagnant water. Bites from infected mosquitoes may result in illnesses which range from mild flu-like conditions (West Nile fever) to severe and sometimes life-threatening diseases requiring hospitalization (West Nile encephalitis or meningitis). If you have symptoms of severe illness, seek immediate medical assistance.

#### Signs & Symptoms of West Nile Fever (mild illness)

- Headache, fever, body aches.
- Swollen lymph nodes, and/or a skin rash on the body.

#### Signs & Symptoms of West Nile Encephalitis or Meningitis (severe illness)

- Headache, high fever, stiff neck.
- Disorientation (in very severe cases, coma).
- Tremors, convulsions and muscle weakness (in very severe cases, paralysis).

For more information contact GRHC Infection Prevention at:  
(520) 562-3321 Ext:1556

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Friday July 31, 2015 4 pm - 7 pm  
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**Viola L. Johnson Administration Building**  
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