

GRIC sends donations to Standing Rock



Photo Courtesy of Jake Antone

Panoramic view of the camp site at the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe reservation where the Gila River Indian Community sent a caravan of donations in support of their opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline.

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The Gila River Indian Community stands with Standing Rock.

Three truckloads of Community member-donated supplies left Sacaton Saturday morning,

Sept. 3 and arrived in North Dakota Thursday, Sept. 8.

The donations consisted of bottled water, blankets, warm clothing, cookware, and camping gear. They are meant to aid protesters who have been camped out along an oil pipeline's construc-

tion route for months, and who plan to remain there into the winter, or as long as it takes to stop the construction of the pipeline altogether.

The Dakota Access Pipeline
The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe is in a contentious legal

battle to stop the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline, a crude oil-carrying pipeline, which would span 1,170 miles from North Dakota, through South Dakota and Iowa, and into Illinois.

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District 7 hosts annual Mustering- In Day Celebration

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With their eyes to the sun, a couple dozen veterans saluted the flags at the District 7 Service Center while Guy Innis of the Pee Posh Veterans Association played taps on a silver bugle.

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Bird Dancers perform under the ramada near the District 7 Multipurpose Building as part of Mustering In Day activities on Sept. 10.

Arizona State University hosts water-energy conference

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Arizona State University along with the U.S. Department of Energy hosted a conference centered on water policy in the Southwest.

The Regional Water-Energy Nexus Meeting hosted by the ASU Knowledge Enterprise Development and the DOE, was held at the ASU Old Main building on Sept. 8.

The meeting brought together representatives from various state and federal agencies, Native American communities, as well as from the academic field.

The discussion was on how to develop policies that determine

how water and energy can be used to benefit local stakeholders.

The water-energy nexus is concept that originated from the DOE and focuses on the technical and operational challenges at local, regional and national scales that includes tribal communities.

The concept examines the interdependencies that exist between water and energy systems that generate electricity for a variety of uses.

The Assistant Vice President of Tribal Relations Office of University Affairs Jacob Moore, who is an enrolled member of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community stated the importance

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Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis speaks at the Southwestern Regional Water-Energy Nexus Meeting Hosted by Arizona State University. From left Chairman Timothy Williams, Fort Mojave Indian Community, Gov. Lewis, Ms. Bidtah N. Becker, Executive Director, Natural Resources, Navajo Nation.

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GRIC among tribes who support the Gila National Monument

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An initiative to preserve over 84,296 acres of land near the town of Gila Bend has got the attention of 13 Arizona tribal communities.

Arizona Congressman Raúl Grijalva of Legislative District 3 is proposing a bill that would place land located in Maricopa and Yuma counties under the Bureau of Land Management to be designated a national monument.

Grijalva announced House Resolution 5556 at a press conference at the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona in downtown Phoenix on Aug. 29.

Several tribal leaders in attendance expressed their support for the bill.

Among them was Gila River Indian Community Lt. Gov. Monica Antone, who is part of Grijalva's effort to get the bill passed.

The Community supports the bill because the Huhugam, who once settled in the area have ancestral ties to the land, along with other O'otham tribes.

The Hopi Tribe, Pueblo of Zuni, Cocopah Indian Tribe, Colorado River Indian Tribes, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, Fort Yuma Quechan Tribe, Yavapai-Apache Nation, and the Yavapai-PreScott Indian Tribe also support the bill.

Lt. Gov. Antone said, "The effort to protect the lands of the Great Bend of the Gila demonstrates how Native Americans can come together on land that is sacred. That's [our] history, our ancestors, our vessel to our bloodlines."

On June 22, Grijalva introduced the bill into the House of



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Tribal leaders and representatives stand with Congressman Grijalva in support of H.R. 5556 after a press conference held at ITCA on Aug. 29

Representatives, which referred the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources.

If the bill passes, it would create the Great Bend of the Gila National Monument and also place it under the National Landscape Conservation System.

The job of the NLCS is to protect and restore cultural resources, species and ecosystems that are present in the area.

As an Arizona native, Grijalva's said he appreciates strong ties between the land and the indigenous peoples.

"I thank Congressman Grijalva for being here because with our travels to Washington D.C. with the O'otham sister tribes [we] have done a lot of lobbying to keep this effort going," said Antone.

Grijalva said, "I'm very for-

tunate to be around in this time where the role of Native Americans in the functioning of our public lands and in the general political landscape of our country has changed dramatically."

He said that the influence of Native people on preserving sacred sites, cultural resources and historic preservation is vital to the decisions that are made in Washington D.C., as outlined in H.R. 5556.

Archaeology Southwest President and CEO Bill Doelle provided an overview of the archaeological study conducted at the proposed site.

Doelle said, "We are here to celebrate the release of the ethnographic report on the Great Bend of the Gila National Monument proposal."

He said they were able to

provide extensive documentation that justify making the area a National Monument.

The DRA Collective press release stated that the area is considered culturally rich, and is dotted by petroglyphs and geoglyphs and the remnants of ancient settlements and trade routes.

Doelle said the study recognizes the

importance of the landscape by incorporating the input of tribal communities and the centuries old existence of settlement by the Huhugam and Patayan peoples.

In addition to the ancestral connection, the study discovered that it was used as a trade and travel route for groups of people traveling across Arizona.

At the press conference, Grijalva said the support of 13 tribal communities is important to protect land that may be at risk of destruction if not brought under federal status.

Antone said the bill is way to honor and respect the ancient remains of the Community's ancestors who have an influence on GRIC's cultural teachings and practices done today.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The water, land, and everything below are resources that connect our people to the past. They are the catalyst to secure our future generations. Expansionist ideology and exploitation are concepts known to our people. The water agreement with the City of Chandler as described in the newspaper is filled with uncertainties and lack logical reasons why this was necessary or in the best interest of our people's self-determination.

The only benefits or options are in Chandler's favor. Forty-three million dollars spread over 100 years is counterproductive. To say that it will be spent on expanding agriculture is illogical. It might make sense if Arizona were number one in cotton production instead of ranking 10th. We are not thinking long term. Chandler gets 5.5 million gallons a day; 0.9% of daily water allocated for the tribe. The region has been in a drought for over a decade. Years from now, when available water is in short supply, does Chandler get 5.5 million or 0.9% of what the tribe has remaining? When water is worth more than a gallon of gas, was it worth remaining one of the 8th poorest cities in Arizona?

Sincerely,
Ray Stovall

Thank You

The Thomas Family would like to thank everyone in assisting with the Wake and Funeral of our Dad, Francis J. Thomas, who passed away on July 22, 2016:

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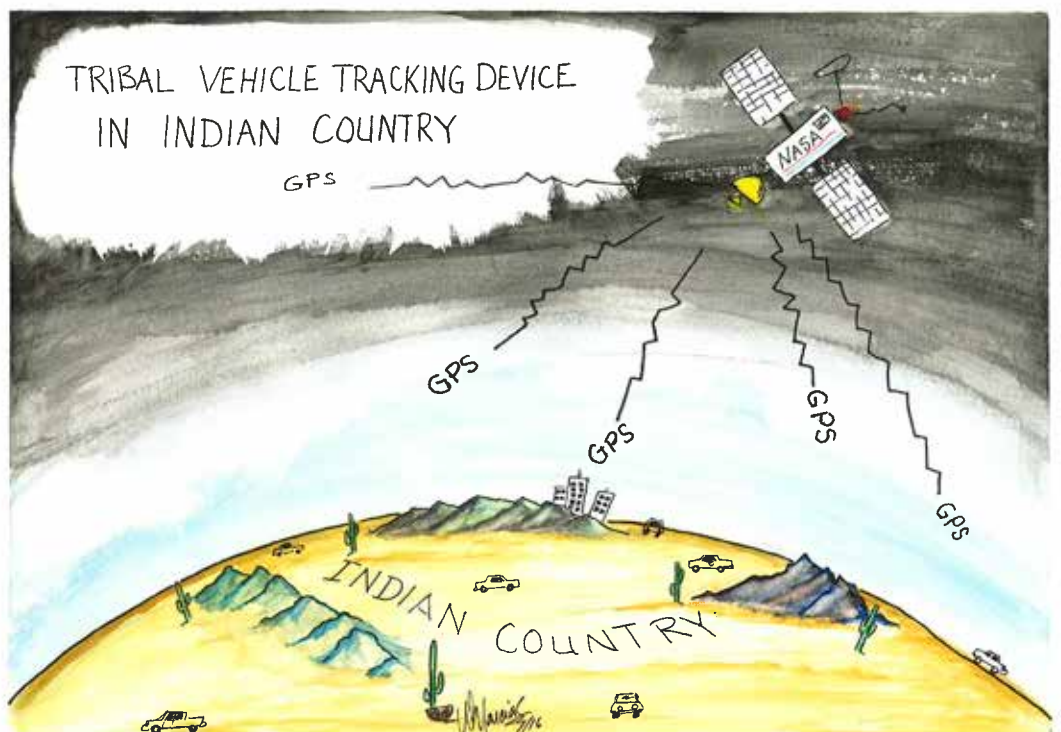
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and Son, Steve Vavages – Instrumental Songs, Delaine Enos – Traditional Blessing and Songs, Leander Marrietta – Donation of Money.

If there's anyone else I forgot to mention, just know that we appreciated your assistance throughout his memorial.

Catherine Thomas
Helen Thomas
Georgine Thomas



Components of the Chandler, CAP Water Deal

Communications & Public Affairs Office
Gila River Indian Community

year for farming. Why? Because CAP water is vastly more expensive than the Community's other water sources.

Prior to 2010, approximately two-thirds of the Community's yearly CAP water entitlement was not being used by the Community. Because this water went unused by our people, it was being used by other CAP customers with absolutely no benefit to the Community.

In 2010, the Community Council formed GRWS to take full advantage of the Community's yearly entitlement of CAP water by storing the water supply the Community does need for irrigation. This stored water becomes a paper water right called a long-term storage credit. One long-term storage credit equals one acre-foot of water, or 325,851 gallons. Since 2010, the Community has created over 1 million long-term storage credits. GRWS has been tasked with marketing and selling these long-term storage credits for the benefit of the Community.

There are a number of components to the Chandler deal: a sale of long-

term storage credits from GRWS to Chandler; a lease of Community CAP water; an exchange of Community CAP water for high quality reclaimed water, and a financial contribution from Chandler to pay to develop wells on Community lands. The specifics of each component and how they help farming within the Community can be summarized as follows:

- GRWS is selling Chandler 150,000 long-term storage credits for approximately \$36.5 million. The proceeds from this sale will be saved in the Community's Permanent Water Fund, an endowment meant to subsidize water costs today, and in the future, to ensure an affordable water supply for Community member farmers.

- The Community will lease 245,000 acre-feet of CAP water to Chandler over 100 years – an amount that is less than 1 percent of the Community's overall CAP water supply. Under the lease, the Community will receive monetary compensation and 125,000 acre-feet of long-term storage credits. The Community can use these credits as a low-cost water supply



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File photo from 2013. A canal in the Gila River Farms agricultural area.

or sell them to benefit the Permanent Water Fund. The market value of these long-term storage credits is conservatively estimated to be \$30 million. To help the Community pay for the infrastructure necessary to recover this stored water, Chandler is contributing \$1.75 million for well development on Community lands.

- The final component of the Chandler deal is an exchange of 352,000 acre-feet of Community CAP water for 440,000 acre-feet of Chandler reclaimed wa-

ter that must be delivered at an A+ reclaimed water quality standard. This will allow the Community to increase its agricultural water supply with water that is delivered at no cost in exchange for a lesser amount of very expensive CAP water. The potential savings under this agreement could exceed \$33 million over the next 100 years, which will help the Community supply its farmers with low-cost water.

Overall, the Community has agreed to sell to Chandler 622,000 acre-feet

of water rights in exchange for cash payments to help build up the Permanent Water fund and 565,000 acre-feet of water rights that have zero or little cost to deliver to the Community in comparison to CAP water.

Overall, Community farmers and members will benefit from the massive cost savings of this agreement, the revenue to be placed into the Permanent Water Fund and the less-expensive water supply to be used to grow our economy and to create jobs.

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12:30pm	Storytellers In Motion	Ravens and Eagles <i>Eagle of the Dawn</i>	Samaqan Water Stories <i>Introduction</i>	Ravens and Eagles <i>Stone Carver</i>	Samaqan Water Stories <i>Akwiten</i>	Ravens & Eagles <i>In Our Blood</i>	Seasoned with Spirit <i>Return of the Buffalo</i>	
1:00pm	Native Report	Vitality Gardening	Vitality Gardening	Vitality Gardening	Vitality Gardening	Vitality Gardening	Champions of the North	
1:30pm	Seasoned with Spirit <i>Return of the Buffalo</i>	Vitality Health <i>Fitness Day</i>	Vitality Health <i>Living w/Diabetes Day</i>	Vitality Health <i>Spiritual Day</i>	Vitality Health <i>Nutrition Day</i>	Vitality Health <i>Health/Stress Mgmt</i>	Native Nation Building <i>Sustaining Enterprises</i>	
2:00pm	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	From The Spirit <i>April Mercredi</i>	From The Spirit <i>John Rombough</i>	From The Spirit <i>Aaron Paquette</i>	From The Spirit <i>Abraham Anghik Ruben</i>	From The Spirit <i>Kevin Red Star</i>	People of the Pines <i>World of Serrano</i>	
2:30pm	Kanie'keha:Ka: Living The Language <i>What it takes to maintain a language through immersion.</i>	Creative Native <i>We Are What We Eat Part</i>	Creative Native <i>Smithsonian Institute</i>	Creative Native <i>Masks of Big House</i>	Creative Native <i>Tricksters & Transformers</i>	Creative Native <i>Sweet Reflections</i>	Making Regalia	
3:00pm	Kanie'keha:Ka: Living The Language <i>Part II</i>	Working It Out Together	Indian Pride <i>Tribal Relations w/Govm't</i>	On Native Ground: Youth Report <i>Billy Mills</i>	Indian Pride <i>Culture & Traditions</i>	Storytellers in Motion	The Other Side <i>Maymont: "Give Us A</i>	
3:30pm	Back in the Day <i>Performing</i>	Back in the Day <i>Performing</i>	Oskayak Down Under	Common Ground	Down The Mighty River <i>More Power Than We</i>	On Native Ground: Youth Report <i>Billy Mills</i>	Indian and Aliens <i>Harry Snowboy</i>	
4:00pm	Back to Pikangikum <i>Suicide has brought down the communities happiness and cast a grief.</i>	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk	Indigenous Focus <i>Tribal Journeys</i>	
4:30pm	Native Voice TV	Native Report	People of the Pines <i>The World of Serrano</i>	Making Regalia	People of the Pines <i>Invasion and Response</i>	Make Prayers to the Raven	Dabiyiyuu <i>The Sled Maker</i>	
5:00pm	On Native Ground: Youth Report	Crying Earth Rise Up <i>Exposes the human cost of uranium mining and its impact on Great Plains.</i>	Buffy St. Marie <i>One of the most influential Aboriginal figures in recent historic times.</i>	Bound to Tradition <i>Peyote Man</i>	Heavy Metal <i>The devastation caused by toxic mining waste in a small Northern comm.</i>	The Wayana Indians <i>Powerless witnesses to the irreversible destruction of their environment.</i>	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People <i>Native Report</i>	
5:30pm	Wapos Bay <i>Amother's Earth</i>	Wapos Bay <i>Dance Dance</i>	Wapos Bay <i>Raiders of the Lost Art</i>	Wapos Bay <i>The Hardest Lesson</i>	Wapos Bay <i>Dance, Monkey, Dance</i>	Wapos Bay <i>Making It Right</i>	Wapos Bay <i>Dance Dance</i>	
6:00pm	Fish Out of Water <i>Cape Mudge Resort Tsa</i>	Fish Out Of Water <i>Birch Narrows Lodge</i>	Fish Out Of Water <i>Rafter Six Ranch</i>	Fish Out of Water <i>Knowledge from Elders</i>	Fish Out of Water <i>Wanuskewin Heritage Park</i>	Fish Out Of Water <i>Brokenhead Ojibway</i>	Fish Out of Water <i>Birch Narrows Lodge</i>	
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7:30pm	American Outrage <i>US gov't spent millions prosecuting 2 elderly women.</i>	2016 JR. MISS GILA RIVER PAGEANT Komatke, AZ	Good Meat <i>Journey to get healthy by converting to a traditional Lakota diet.</i>	The Activist <i>Suspicious circumstances surround the arrest and imprisonment of two Native American activists.</i>	Choctaw Code Talkers <i>A unique perspective to forgotten heroes and their wartime contributions.</i>	Rising Voices/Hothaninpi <i>How languages die - and how speaking them again can spark restoration.</i>	2016 IWO JIMA PARADE Sacaton, AZ	
8:00pm	2016 VETERANS AFFAIR Sacaton, AZ	2016 MISS GILA RIVER PAGEANT Komatke, AZ	Across The Creek	Rez	Sculpting In Wood and Words <i>The Art of Kent...</i>	The Madoc War <i>Revisits the battle scenes, uses rare historical images and wood cut drawings.</i>	Che Ah Chi - The History of Boynton Canyon	
8:30pm	Urban Rez (1952-1973) <i>Tribal members recall their experiences including the early hardships, struggles with isolation and racism.</i>	2016 MISS GILA RIVER PAGEANT Komatke, AZ	Why Treaties <i>The Chippewa ceded some 11 million acres of land to the United States Government.</i>	Grab <i>Explores the evolution of this 300-yr-old custom, from Spanish settlers to its modern-day twists.</i>	Finding Their Own Dance <i>Alaska Natives mission to rebuild culture after American & Russian imperialism nearly destroyed it.</i>	Colorado Experience: Sand Creek Massacre <i>Revisits the horrific events and uncovers the history 150 years later.</i>	For The Rights of All: Ending Jim Crow In Alaska <i>The victories for citizenship, voting rights and school desegregation.</i>	
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Community members hold drive, travel to Standing Rock reservation amid movement from page 1

At one point along its construction route, the pipeline passes within less than half a mile of the Standing Rock reservation. The tribe says that although it does not cross through Standing Rock reservation land, the pipeline traverses sacred land and tribal burial sites.

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe also fears that in the case of an oil leak, the pipeline would cause irreparable harm to its land and cultural sites, and contaminate its water supply.

Members of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe have been protesting the pipeline construction for months by physically blocking its path with non-violent demonstrations. They prefer to be called "protectors" or "water protectors" instead of protesters.

The pipeline has been under construction for some time, and the Standing Rock Sioux claim the company building the pipeline, Dakota Access, LLP, has already razed earth on sacred ground and disrupted ancient burial sites. The tribe claims contractors threaten to destroy more sensitive areas if allowed to proceed with the construction of the pipeline.

Support from Indian Country

People from Native nations around the country have rallied behind the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe's cause to stop the pipeline.

The hashtag #NoDAPL is trending across social media platforms and stirring conversation on the issue.

Support for the Standing Rock Sioux has grown rapidly throughout Indian Country. According to some reports, more than 250 of the 556 federally recognized tribal communities in the United States have expressed support for

the tribe's opposition to the pipeline. Count the Gila River Indian Community among them.

Gila River Indian Community Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis sent a letter dated Aug. 26 to Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Chairman David Archambault II.

In the letter, Gov. Lewis said, "I write to let you know that the Gila River Indian Community supports your efforts to protect your water resources and ancestral lands from encroachment and damage."

Donation Rally

After reading about the situation in Standing Rock and seeing it on social media, Jake Antone, District 3 Community member, said, "I just felt like something needed to be done."

Motivated to go beyond social media posts and "hashtag activism," Antone contacted friends and relatives to start a donation drive to support the people camped out along the pipeline construction route.

The donation drive lasted a week, but soon after it began, the team of organizers decided to hold a rally to bring in a lot of donations at once, fill a U-Haul truck, and drive the donations up to the people of Standing Rock.

The rally quickly garnered attention via social media sites like Facebook and Instagram.

On Friday evening, Sept. 2, hundreds of Community members visited Ira Hayes Matthew B. Juan Memorial Park in Sacaton to drop off their donations. Community response exceeded the organizers' expectations.

"We were just overwhelmed. It warmed your heart," said Alie Walking Badger, one of the rallies key organizers. She said it was uplifting to see the

generosity of the people of the Community. "We had so many donations we had to get a bigger truck, and then a second one."

Initially, the team rented only one U-Haul truck to transport the supplies, but they had enough donations to fill that one, plus another, larger U-Haul truck, plus a pickup truck.

"We [received] camping gear, somebody donated tobacco products, [people] donated cookware, warm clothes, jackets," said Walking Badger. "Then we had speakers that came out. Councilman Robert Stone did a blessing and some traditional songs." Gov. Lewis and Lt. Gov. Monica Antone also visited the park and contributed some personal donations.

"All I had was an idea," said Antone, "but in order for that to get carried out, I've been blessed to be surrounded by some amazing people that have helped" make the vision a reality.

The Rhodes family, owners of the Akimel Smoke Shop on Riggs Road, donated money to rent the U-Haul truck.

The GRIC Executive Office bought several boxes of T-shirts to give out to those who support Standing Rock, and several other individuals helped organize and run the donation drive and rally.

Walking Badger said most importantly, though, "It was really empowering to know what our people can do when we come together."

Delivery

A crew of four GRIC men – Antone, Kenyon Thompson, Patrick Rhodes, and Jonathan White, Jr. – drove the three trucks from Arizona to North Dakota, where they met people from Standing Rock and dropped off the load of donations.

When they arrived, they met with Will Black Cloud, who is O'otham and Lakota. Black Cloud grew up moving between Phoenix and the Standing Rock reservation, but now lives and works in Standing Rock on the South Dakota side.

"I've always been taught the importance of this earth, and it's always in crisis," he said, but "it's amazing how our people have come together, many nations from all directions. [It] brought a little extra sense of pride when I heard the brothers from Gila River were on their way."

He said, "The donations are very much appreciated and were distributed amongst campers. ... On behalf of the Standing Rock Lakota and many other relatives, thank you Gila River Indian Community."

A Temporary Victory

The Dakota Access Pipeline is a product of the Dallas-based company Energy Transfer Partners. (Builder Dakota Access, LLP is a subsidiary of ETP.) ETP claims the pipeline will be safe, provide jobs, and increase U.S. energy independence.

Most of the land the pipeline is slated to occupy is privately owned land from northern North Dakota to Illinois.

At one point, just north of the Standing Rock reservation (which lies across the North Dakota/South Dakota border), the pipeline is set to cross under Lake Oahe, a dammed section of the Missouri River. That land is under the jurisdiction of the Army Corps of Engineers, who granted the pipeline company access to build.

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe contests that the Army Corps of Engineers did not comply with a number of necessary federal regulations when it granted



Courtesy of Kristina Morago, Ak Chin Runner

The Gila River Indian Community held a donation drive for the Standing Rock Sioux tribe. From left. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Timothy Antone, Jr., Lt. Gov. Monica Antone, Alie Walking Badger, Elisia Manuel.

build permits.

The tribe filed a complaint in federal court Sept. 4 alleging the Army Corps of Engineers "flouted its duty to engage in tribal consultations under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)," according to a judge's later ruling.

On Sept. 9 a federal judge ruled against the tribe, saying the Army Corps of Engineers "likely complied with the NHPA and that the Tribe has not shown it will suffer injury that would be prevented by any injunction the Court could issue." The loss was a blow to the tribe, but within minutes, federal agencies offered a glimmer of hope.

In a joint statement, the Department of the Army, the Department of Justice, and the Department of the Interior called for a halt to construction on the Dakota Access Pipeline.

The agencies said due to "important issues raised by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe...regarding the Dakota Access pipeline specifically, and pipeline-related decision-making generally," they will reconsider their decision on the Dakota Access Pipeline after taking another look at the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other relevant federal laws. "Therefore, construction of the pipeline

on Army Corps land bordering or under Lake Oahe will not go forward at this time. ... In the interim, we request that the pipeline company voluntarily pause all construction activity within 20 miles east or west of Lake Oahe."

"Furthermore, this case has highlighted the need for a serious discussion on whether there should be nationwide reform with respect to considering tribes' views on these types of infrastructure projects," in the future, the agencies said in the statement.

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and others hailed this decision from the federal agencies as a major victory and a step forward in federal-tribal relations when it comes to policy and decision-making.

"Our hearts are full, this an historic day for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and for tribes across the nation," said Dave Archambault II. "But I know that our work is not done. We need to permanently protect our sacred sites and our water."

Questions remain as to the fate of the Dakota Access Pipeline. The agencies plan to meet with tribal interests later this fall and more news on the DAPL is expected soon.

GRPD project reaches to groups in the Community

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

One of the key components for conducting police work is learning about the citizens officers are sworn to protect.

The Gila River Police Department is reaching out to local organizations that make up the social fabric of the Community to hear their questions and concerns.

"We started [this] project almost a year ago. First [we] reached out specifically to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender group of the Community," said GRPD Public Information Officer Caroline Brown.

The goal is to start an open police forum with the faith-based, youth and LGBT groups in regards to public safety.

Brown said in addition to speaking with the LGBT community and the Akimel O'odham/Pee-Posh Youth Council, they would like to meet with other groups to build their list of contacts.

"We contacted the youth council because [we] think they are held to a higher regard," said Brown.

She said that the youth council could be of value when discussing issues that surround today's youth of the Community.

The GRPD anticipates that with more awareness about the forums, more

groups are able to open the door to discussions.

The idea is to strengthen the ties with the Community because the GRPD understands that some groups might not fully understand what they want to accomplish.

Programs like the Citizens Police Academy have been steadily attracting Community members and that is just the beginning of what GRPD is doing to open the line of communication with the public.

Brown said, "Just like the Citizens Police Academy, it started out real slow and then it got real big to where more people are interested in joining."

Once the wheels on

the police forums start to move, a more defined schedule and narrowed down goals and objectives of each group will be established.

As part of the goal to reach out to tribal members, GRPD has also started its "Coffee with a Cop," a community relations initiative at districts across the Community.

The meet and greet is unlike any other meeting, there is no presentation or agenda, just an open door to share a cup of coffee and pastries with GRPD officers and staff.

At the District 7 and 3 service centers, conversation was light hearted and it was a chance for Com-

munity members to get to know their police force.

Officer Brown said they are in an informal meeting, allowing tribal members to get to know GRPD leadership and the support staff.

"We had a general conversation about what district they were from, their family, what they like to do," said Brown, "We had commanders and lieutenants there and then we also had records and dispatch staff there."

The events are unlike most police encounters and highlight how the people behind the badge has similar things in common with the people they serve to protect.

For the officers who had a chance to sit down over a cup of joe with the members in District 7, they joined them in a game of chair volleyball with the elders.

Brown said the "Coffee with a Cop" activities are something GRPD would like to do on a month-to-month basis, which is why they have more dates set for Oct. 5 in District 1 and District 6.

The GRPD encourages more people to come out and that it is open to tribal members of all ages to come out and meet with police officers.

Jeanette Johnson gets healthcare experience through IHS Pathways program

Thomas R. Throssell
Gila River Indian News

A self described sports and Harry Potter fan, Gila River Indian Community member Jeanette Johnson enjoys spending her leisure time reading Harry Potter books and watching the Arizona State University Sun Devil football team squash their opponents.

But while Johnson's hobbies may include reading about the fantastical stories of Harry Potter and reveling in the competitive action of college football, her real passion lies in the healthcare industry and giving back to the Native community.

Johnson, a junior at ASU with a major in Health Sciences, recently interned at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center (PIMC) through Indian Health Services' Pathways Internship Program.

The program's purpose is to help give students, of

various educational backgrounds, the opportunity to work in different federal agencies, while at the same time, learning more about federal careers. Students who complete the internship may even be eligible for a permanent federal job.

According to the IHS, the Pathways Internship program gives Native youth the work experience needed to apply for entry-level jobs in the federal workforce. In order to garner this experience, interns must complete at least 640 hours of work.

"The Pathways program gave me experience that enhances my desire to work for IHS," said Johnson. "It's an amazing program that allows high school and college students to have the opportunity to get their feet wet within the healthcare industry and get paid for it."

"My experience with the Pathways program has been truly amazing," said Johnson. "This program has



Photo courtesy of Indian Health Services

Jeanette Johnson looks forward to entering the healthcare industry and giving back to the Native community.

given me the opportunity to come and see how a hospital works."

Johnson said that the internship at PIMC allowed her to learn new skills, meet with and get to know many experts, and narrow-down

what she wants to do with her career, which is to become a pharmacist or physician's assistant.

But moving her career forward isn't her only intention; there is also an altruistic motive as well.

"I would like to work for IHS, particularly at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center. I have been coming to this hospital for many years as a patient. I want to give back and help others as others have helped me at

this hospital."

Johnson believes that her drive towards a higher education and getting involved with the healthcare industry will not only show her own family that they too can achieve their goals, but it will also inspire Community members to move forward with their own education.

"My words to a fellow Community member or anybody else who is thinking about pursuing higher education would be [to] do it and don't let anybody tell you that you can't," said Johnson. "You don't have to be a certain age or super smart to pursue higher education. I believe that you need to have determination to see it through," she said.

"My determination is knowing that I want to become a healthcare provider. I'm also driven to show my niece and nephew that they too can dream big and accomplish their goals," said Johnson.

Employee Development hosts all day event to improve communication in the workplace

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

The Gila River Indian Community hosted a special event to improve the productivity of its hardest workers.

At the Wild Horse Pass

Hotel & Casino, the Human Resources Employee Development Program hosted 2016 Employee Skilled Talent Conference on Aug. 24.

The all-day event provided breakout sessions and guest speakers to talk

about how the work place can be a more pleasant environment through effective communication and conflict resolution.

Lt. Gov. Monica Antone spoke to the packed ballroom full of employees from Department of Public

Works and the district service centers.

Many of the worker's jobs rely on communication as an integral part on the day-to-day operations of the Community.

Antone said, the conference is meant to provide motivation and communication skills that will assist employees in effectively working together.

If they receive [this] training, they now have the

experience and are able to add to their resume said Lt. Gov. Antone.

Frank Kitchen and Rodger Campbell, who are motivational speakers, who put on seminars across the country provided a team building presentation and groups exercises.

Through their experience working with different employers, they understand that the job may be stressful at times, which if not prop-

erly addressed can lead to a hostile environment.

The two discussed how the workers can overcome any ill feelings in the workplace by implementing techniques meant to diffuse problems before they escalate further.

The concept of their presentation relies on the belief that better attitudes towards challenges provide optimal solutions through self-awareness.



Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Two GRIC employees participate in a scavenger hunt filling out their answer sheet as they go from table to table on Aug. 24.



Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Conference goers socialize with each other before guest speakers take to the podium at Gila River Casino & Hotel on Aug. 24.

What is Climate Change and How Might It Affect Us?

Workshop Series – Part 1 of 2



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“S”-words in Akimel O’otham

O’otham ñeo’ok has a very interesting group of words with unique properties that set them apart from other words in the language. These words are unique in that they can be used as both adjectives as well as verbs depending on the way you say a sentence. For example, if you wanted to talk about a car that is blue you can say the following:

I:tha kalith ‘o s-che:-thag./S-che:thag ‘o, i:tha kalith.

This car is blue.

In this sentence what you are literally saying is “This car is blue”, using the word s-che:thag (blue) as if it were a verb. Another way to say this sentence is the following:

I:tha ‘o vud ge s-che:-thag kalith

“This is a blue car”.

This example, although similar, differs in that you use the same word s-che:thag as an adjective, just like in the English translation. O’otham has a large number of these “s” words, which share this trait of being able to stand in place as either a verb or an adjective when needed. Almost all of these words start with the letter s and in our orthography the s is separated from the rest of the word with a hyphen. Many words that describe a quality, attribute or property are included in this group. This includes all the basic color words that we are familiar with (s-chuk, s-thoa:, s-oa:m, s-che:thag, s-veg, s-ko:mag) as well as words that describe taste (s-he’ek ‘sour’, s-io’ov ‘sweet’, s-onk ‘salty’), dimension (che:vach ‘long, tall’, ge’ej

‘big’, shopolk ‘short’), and properties of objects (s-kavk ‘hard’, s-moik ‘soft’, s-mu’uk, ‘sharp/pointed’, s-ga:k, ‘skinny’, s-gi:g ‘fat’). There are many more words that we could add to this list and as we see with the words describing dimension (long, big, short) not all of these words begin with an initial s sound. But these words all fit the pattern of being useful as both verbs as well as adjectives. Consider the example below:

I:tha nalash ‘o s-he’ek.

This orange is sour.

I:tha ‘o vud ge s-he’ek

nalash.

This is a sour orange.

In the first example you are using the word s-he’ek as a verb, describing the taste or state of the orange. In the second example the s-he’ek is an ad-

jective describing the type of orange you picked up (a “sour orange” as opposed to a “sweet orange” or a Valencia or Navel orange).

Another property that these s-words share is how they drop their initial s sound when you use the negative form of the sentence. This happens when you want to say something is not sour or not sweet or not red or not sharp, etc. In these cases you always drop the initial s sound

when the word is being used as a verb. Going back to our original example if you wanted to say that the car is not blue you could say the following:

I:tha kalith ‘o pi che:-thag./Pi ‘o che:thag itha kalith.

This car isn’t blue.

Notice that when the s-word is negated it loses its initial s sound. This is something that happens consistently with all s type words.

So in closing, if you ever hear someone tell you in O’otham “Hejel ‘i ‘e ñeith! S-muadag ‘o heg em wi:yosha!” (Look at yourself, your face is all greasy!!), you’ll know right away that your reply (No:, Pi ‘o shai muadag!!) is automatically gonna drop the s prefix on s-muadag (greasy). Try your hand out at our word match and see what other s words you can learn this month.

Vashai Gakithag Mashath: Match the O’otham “S”-word with its picture!

s-he:pith



s-kaithag



s-ko’ok



s-padma



s-hoth’tham



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Zika virus is spreading, what you need to know

Thomas R. Throssell
Gila River Indian News

Since early 2015, the Zika virus has been steadily making its way into almost every nook and cranny of South America, Central America, and the Caribbean. In January 2016, the World Health Organization announced that the virus would likely spread throughout most of the Americas by the end of this year.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Zika is a disease caused by the Zika virus, which is spread through the bite of a mosquito and can also be transmitted through sexual activity. The disease can be mild, lasting only a week. The real danger of the virus is that if a woman contracts the virus during pregnancy, it can cause microcephaly and other serious birth defects.

The symptoms of Zika are a fever, red eyes, joint pain, a rash, muscle pain, and a headache. Many people infected with the virus may not have any symptoms at all.

A CDC report said that as of Aug. 31, there have been 2,722 confirmed cases of Zika in the United States, 35 of which were locally transmitted, meaning that people contracted the disease from a mosquito bite.

The same report said that there have been 20 confirmed travel-associated cases of the virus in Arizona and the mosquito that carries the disease, *Aedes Aegypti* (AA), are already in Southern Arizona.

If or when the Zika virus gets to Arizona, what steps can be done to keep Gila River Indian Community members from contracting the illness?

Ralph Jones Jr., Environmental Health Supervisor for the Tribal Health Department believes that

while there may be cases of Zika virus in the higher populated cities of Southern Arizona in the future, the AA mosquito that carries the disease seems to have a hard time living and breeding within the boundaries of the Community.

"Last year, we did over 100 traps sights on what we call an ovipositor, basically egg traps, specifically for the AA mosquito [to see] where they were breeding," said Jones. "The good news that came out of that was that out of over 100 trapping sites, we only felt we had two positive sites. *Aedes Aegypti* does not do well out here."

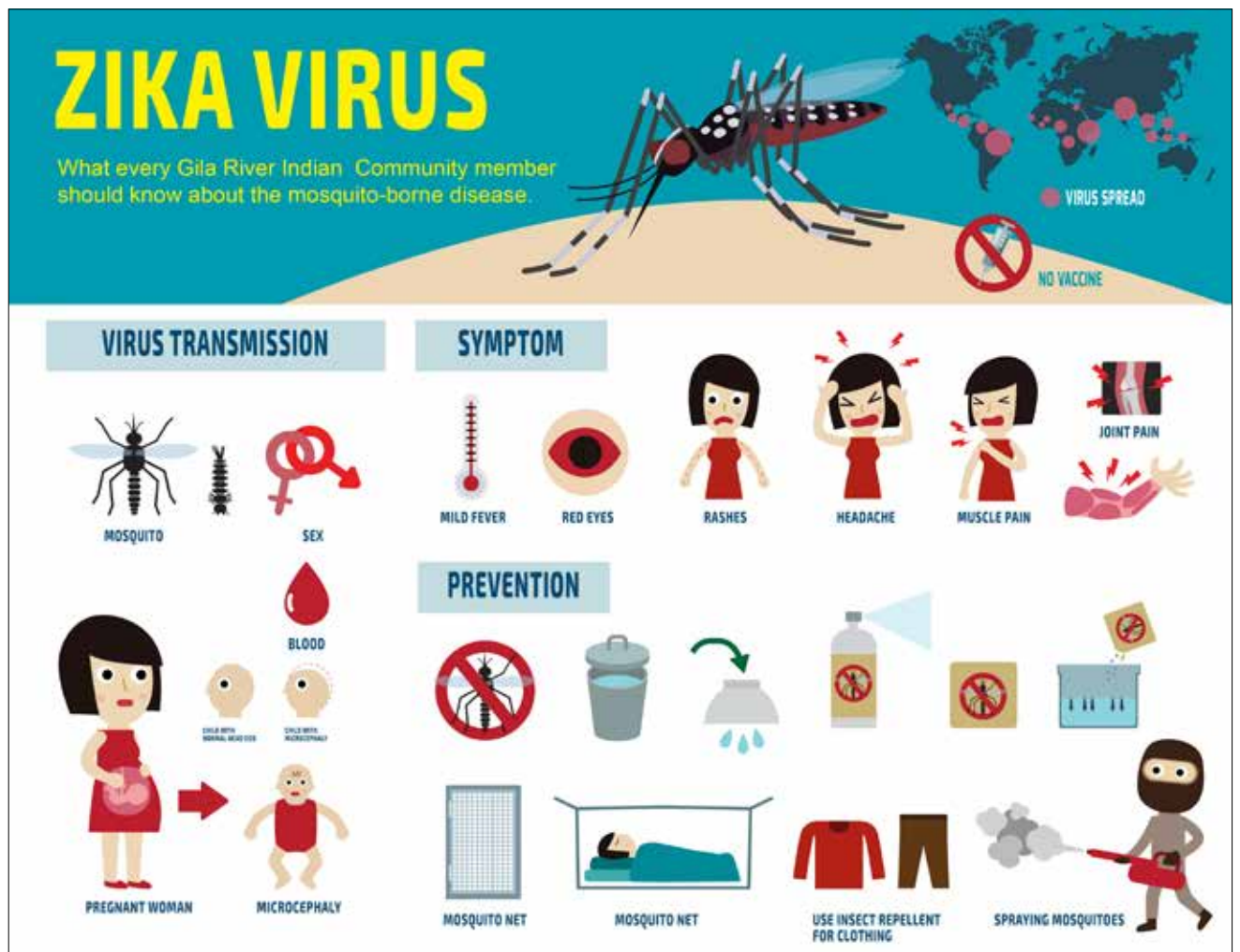
Jones said that the mosquito traps put in District 5 and District 6 came back positive for the AA mosquito larvae, but no adult mosquitoes have yet been found within the Community.

"We have been looking at those sites, in District 5 and 6," said Jones. "So far we have not had any adult AA there. It is just a hard place for them to get a foothold," he said.

"It does better in built up areas like in Phoenix and those surrounding cities, they have AA all over the place. Local transmission there, I think is probably likely in the future," Jones said.

However, if the AA mosquito does start to make an appearance within GRIC, there are several steps that Community members can take to reduce the number of mosquitoes outside and inside their homes, in effect, lower the chance of contracting any mosquito-borne illnesses.

"If we do start getting positive trappings, then we



are going to take steps," said Jones. "We are going to zero-in on that location, walk around the area, try to talk to people living in the area to get rid of anything that would harbor them," he said.

"If we can convince Community members to get rid of harboring sites, that will go a long way in keeping them safe," he said.

According to the CDC, it is recommended to remove any standing water where they might lay eggs. Several common places that mosquitoes lay their eggs are tires, buckets, planters, toys, pools, bird-baths, flowerpot saucers, and trash containers.

Tightly cover any water storage containers or barrels so that mosquitoes cannot get inside and lay eggs. If the water container or storage cannot be covered or dumped out, and will not be used for drinking, the CDC advises to use

Alaskan Native Villages and that it is the premier federal office in providing tribal communities the knowledge and skill.

Gila River Indian Community Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis was invited to speak on a panel to discuss water-energy from a tribal perspective.

Included on the panel was Chairman Timothy Williams of the Fort-Mojave Indian Community, Bidtah N. Becker, Executive Director of Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources, and Sam Woods, Business Development Director for the Navajo Transitional Energy Company.

Each panelist provided

larvicides to treat the water. Larvicides are insecticides used to specifically target the larval life stage of an insect.

It is also suggested to repair cracks or gaps in septic tanks, cover open vents or plumbing pipes with wire mesh that has holes smaller than an adult mosquito.

To keep mosquitoes from entering your home, it is suggested to install or repair door and window screens and to not leave doors propped open. At least once a week, empty-out household items that hold water like indoor plant saucers or flower vases.

While taking these steps can help lower the number of mosquitoes around your home, it is not a foolproof solution, which is why, in conjunction with ridding your home of standing water, the CDC advises the use of Environmental Protection Agency registered insect repellents

that contain one of these ingredients; DEET, Picaridin, Bayrepel, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or IR3535. Common store bought repellents that contain these ingredients are Off!, Cutter, Sawyer, Ultrathon, Repel, and SkinSmart.

The CDC emphasizes that while using insecticide or an indoor insect fogger will immediately kill the mosquitoes that are sprayed, it will not keep the outside of your home free from the pests.

Some common store-bought indoor insecticides include Home Pest Insect Killer, Raid Ortho, Hot-Shot, and Ecologic. These insect sprays last from 7 to 10 days. Longer lasting insect sprays include Real Kill and Spectracide, which can last up to 6 weeks.

These tactics will not only help prevent contracting Zika, but also West Nile Virus, Dengue, Chikungunya, and St. Louis Encephalitis, all-of-which can be

carried by different types of mosquitoes.

"We can beat back these kinds of illnesses," said Jones. "Once we figure them out, where the biological reservoir is, [and] figure out how to deal with the mosquito species," he said.

And he is right, while news of Zika may be alarming, it isn't the first time a mosquito-borne illness has caused problems in the United States. Prior to the National Malaria Eradication Program, which was launched in 1947, malaria was endemic across much of the U.S.

According to the CDC, in 1947, there were 15,000 cases of malaria reported in the U.S. By 1950, several years after the program had begun and after over 4,650,000 homes had been sprayed with DDT, only 2,000 cases were reported. The very next year, in 1951, malaria was considered eliminated from the U.S.

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of tribes in the region is indicative of the Akimel O'otham people that reside in the area that goes back to the time of the Huhugam, their ancestral relatives.

"The Tempe campus sits on the ancestral homeland of those American Indian tribes that have inhabited this place for centuries," said Moore.

Moore said it was important to think about the Huhugam that lived in the same valley for centuries who thrived off of the Salt and Gila Rivers.

"It is important part to

learn the context in terms of tribal perspectives around water and why [we] have [this] conversation around innovation in water energy nexus," said Moore.

Director of the DOE Office of Indian Energy Policy and Program Christopher Deschene moderated the panel and expressed his agencies vision to work with tribes on important issues as it relates to energy.

Deschene said the goals are to maximize the development of energy solutions for the benefit of American Indian tribes and

WailaFest Inc. raises money for STAR Scholarship award

Mikhail Sundust
Gila River Indian News

Nine O’otham students from the four sister tribes of southern Arizona received scholarships from WailaFest, Inc. in 2015.

“Last year was the first year that we were able to award scholarships,” said Erica Manuel, a member of the WailaFest board of directors.

WailaFest, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, which hosts an annual waila music festival for the four O’otham sister tribes: the Tohono O’odham Nation, the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the Gila River Indian Community, and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

“The original [intent of the WailaFest] was to preserve the waila music,” said co-founder Mathew Kisto, “and also to try to keep up our culture [by inviting traditional] dance groups from all four sister tribes. They’re all a little bit different, but yet they’re still the same. We’re all one people.”

Hundreds of people from all four O’otham communities attend the WailaFest every year. What began as a fun, volunteer-run event in 2011 has quickly grown into a popular fami-

ly-friendly community music festival.

In 2014, WailaFest became an officially incorporated non-profit and founded the STAR (Sister Tribes Academic Reward) Scholarship, which is awarded to college students from at least one of the four O’otham sister tribes.

Manuel said, “I think this is...our way of, not only promoting education, but promoting the traditions and keep it going, and to show others that it’s important to us. ... Let’s recognize our students because they’re not only going to school, but they’re wanting to preserve their culture.”

All college-level students from the four O’otham sister tribes are welcome to apply for the STAR Scholarship, whether they attend a 4-year college, community college or trade school.

The scholarship application can be found on the organization’s website, www.wailafestival.org – click on the STAR Scholarship link on the top of the page.

The deadline for scholarship applications is Nov. 15. Multiple awards will be distributed in varying amounts of \$250, \$500, and \$1,000.

STAR Scholarship

award recipients will be announced at the main event in a few months.

The next WailaFest will be held on Jan. 14, 2017 at the Rawhide Western Town Frontier Hall from 9:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Visit the website for more information on the WailaFest and to see when your favorite waila band will be performing.

The organization held a fundraising event for the STAR Scholarship at the Huhugam Heritage Center Saturday, Aug. 27. The event was free, but all proceeds from food and T-shirt sales went to the fundraising effort.

Hundreds of guests attended the fundraising event, which featured traditional dances by the Oriole Women’s Basket Dancer group, the Hunter Family Hopi Dance Group, and the Danza Azteca Huehucoyotzin (Aztec dancers group).

People explored booths from the GRIC Tribal Education Department, the Workforce Investment and Opportunities Act program, Tohono O’otham Community College, and Scottsdale Community College American Indian Program set up in a room dedicated to educational information services.

As dusk set in, the



Mikhail Sundust/GRIN

O’odham Tradition Waila Band perform at the fund raiser on Aug. 27.



Mikhail Sundust/GRIN

Couples dance to the lively waila music to help raise money for scholarships.

waila music kicked up and central pit. The O’odham the Pickup Kings ushered dancers moved toward the Tradition Waila Band and in the night.

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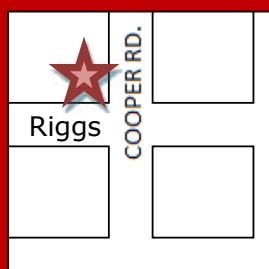
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Mustering-In Day from page 1

The Mustering-In Day Celebration is an annual family fun day that takes place in District 7, but its primary focus is to commemorate the selfless act of 94 Pee Posh and 88 O'otham, who volunteered for U.S. military service in 1865.

With regular Army soldiers withdrawn to fight the Civil War in the east, the O'otham and Pee Posh joined a number of local Mexican and white volunteers in signing up to defend the area from in-

creasing Apache raids. By joining the military as volunteers, rather than typical recruitment methods, they were "mustered into" service.

The mustering-in of those volunteers on Sept. 2, 1865 established the first Arizona Army National Guard.

One hundred fifty-one years later, people of the Gila River Indian Community paused in a moment of silence to honor those volunteers and remember the countless O'otham and Pee

Posh who have given themselves to military service in the century and a half since.

Mustering-In Day began with an early morning 2-mile fun run/walk and a parade down 83rd Avenue at 9 a.m.

As the temperature approached 100 degrees, veterans offered a 21-gun salute and a flag-raising ceremony.

Despite the heat of the day, the District 7 Park opened up to a flurry of activities while volunteers handed out free, ice-cold water to guests.

In the shade of the large ramada, Lt. Gov. Monica Antone thanked the

crowd for attending. "I just want to thank the helpers, the volunteers, and all the employees that make this happen every year," she said. "I always say that these mountains around us are what blesses us and keeps our community united. ... All I ask is for all of you to enjoy yourself today."

Jennifer Pahona of District 7 recited an oral history of Mustering-In Day to remind everyone of the service and protection the community's ancestors provided in the Valley.

The presentation was followed by a set of traditional O'otham songs

performed by GRIC-based dance group Achem A'al.

On the ball field to the southeast, four softball teams competed in a round-robin tournament.

On the adjacent ball field, visitors browsed vendor tents selling jewelry and novelties. To the east, children boarded small, dizzying carnival rides and jumped in a bouncy house.

Inside the D7 building, Community members took advantage of the air conditioning and watched the pool tournament, organized by D7's favorite billiards player, Doreen Sunn.

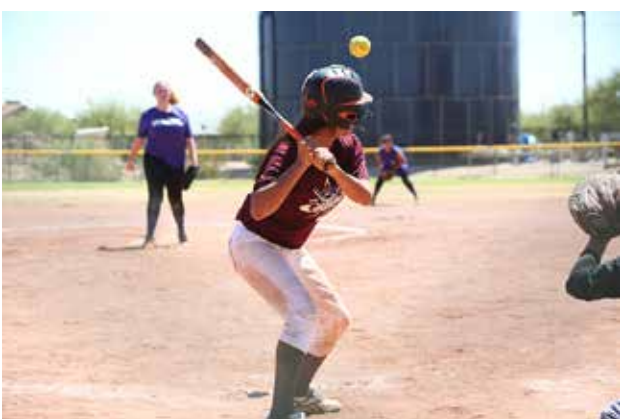
After a free lunch, catered by Diana Johnson

Catering, families made their way toward the Service Center to pick up their commemorative T-shirts and watch the Bird Dancing competition.

Three groups of singers kept the dancers moving: The North Valley Bird Singers (Chemeuevi) of California, Robert Ameely-enay & Company of Gila River, and Bird Dancing and Singing by the River of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

The evening closed out with an up-tempo chicken scratch dance with music by Gertie and the T.O. Boys.

Photos by Mikhail Sundust



Gila River Police Department Incident Log

Certain reports may not be available or are currently under investigation which GRPD holds the right to restrict public release.

Incident Log August 21 – August 27, 2016

District One:
No incidents regarding Part 1 crime.

District Two:
No incidents regarding Part 1 crime.

District Three:
Robbery - A male suspect assaulted the victim demanding money and took his backpack with personal items. The victim was evaluated by a medic unit and released after refusing treatment. The suspect was later identified.

Status: Suspect was arrested

District Four:
(Stotonic Area)

Burglary – A subject committed burglary by entering the church without permission and committed theft by obtaining electronic equipment from the church without permission from the pastor of the church.

Status: Under Investigation
(Lone Butte / WHP Area)

Theft - Five subjects entered the Sunglass Hut store and while employees were assisting three of the suspects the other two opened an in store closet/storage and removed/ concealed thirty five pair of

Ray Ban sunglasses.
Status: Under Investigation

Shoplifting - A male subject was observed taking a bag of chips and a 12 pack of Budweiser beer. The suspect had the items in his possession and walked past the point of sale and left the store in a silver in color Chevy Monte Carlo without paying for the items.

Status: Under investigation

Shoplifting - A male subject was caught on surveillance footage stealing merchandise from the Tommy Hilfiger store and returning it for money.

Status: Under Investigation

Auto Theft - Wild Horse Pass Hotel and Casino surveillance footage observed a male subject entering a car parked in the employee parking lot and was observed driving away in the vehicle. Chandler PD notified Gila River PD dispatch that they located the vehicle which had been reported stolen.

Status: Arrest made.

District Five:
Homicide – Victim was found deceased upon Police arrival.

Status: Suspect has been identified and arrested. Due to the ongoing investigation no further details are available at this time.

Aggravated Assault – Suspect attempted to stab the victim with a kitchen



knife.

Status: Refugio Fulwilder was arrested.

Theft - Subjects removed the victim's tool bag out of the bed of their pickup truck while parked at the Casa Blanca Market.

Status: Under Investigation

District Six:
Burglary - The District Six Service Center Housing Department reported that a house being renovated was burglarized and copper wires were taken from the walls after the dry walls were torn down.

Status: Under Investigation

District Seven:
Aggravated Assault – A suspect committed Aggravated Assault by striking the victim in the face and head with a rock. The victim was transported to the hospital for medical treatment.

Status: Under Investigation

Incident Log Aug. 28 – Sept. 3, 2016

Community Events – The Citizens Police Academy is held every Tuesday.

This month's community crime report presentation is to be held on Thursday September 22, 2016 at the Gila River Police Department from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

Gila River Police officers responded to 595 calls for service and made 36 arrests.

District One:
No incidents regarding Part 1 crime.

District Two:
Burglary – Report of a residential burglary and criminal damage to the residence.

Status: Under Investigation

District Three:
Aggravated Assault

– The victim was stabbed with a knife and was uncooperative in providing suspect information.

Status: Under Investigation

Sexual Assault – Report of a juvenile victim who was sexually assaulted by a juvenile relative.

Status: Under Investigation

Burglary - Two individuals committed burglary by unlawfully entering the gated parking lot into two different vehicles located on the west side of the Wellness Center; During the investigation it was discovered the two individuals tagged the Wellness Center walls and damaged the northwest corner door to the Wellness Center. The two individuals also caused criminal damage to three vehicles.

Status: Under Investigation

Shoplifting – A female suspect came into the Sacaton 76 Gas Station store and left without paying for items. Suspect has been identified in the matter.

Status: Charges have been forwarded to the Office of the Prosecutor.

Theft – A Victim reported that his wallet was taken from his vehicle while at the Sacaton Supermarket and his credit/debit card that had been in his wallet was used fraudulently at the Sacaton "76" gas station.

Status: Under Investigation

District Four:
(Stotonic Area)

Burglary - A subject committed aggravated burglary by forcefully entering a residence and damaging the rear door. The subject damaged the home owners' phone and took other personal items from the residence.

Status: Under Investigation

(Lone Butte / WHP Area)

Shoplifting – A suspect attempted to exit the Tommy Hilfiger Outlet store setting off the alarm; the female revealed that she had concealed two items of clothing.

Status: Female was cited and released.

District Five:
Theft - Victim reported theft of two speakers from the Vah Ki Presbyterian Church, after he discovered the front door was left unlocked.

Status: Under Investigation

District Six:
Aggravated Assault (DV) - Investigation revealed the suspect stabbed his girlfriend with a screwdriver in her back. The victim sustained non-life threatening injuries.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into 4th Avenue Jail.

District Seven:
No incidents regarding Part 1 crime.

GRIC Elderly Services Information

Planning For Aging:

Aging is a gradual process and each person ages at a different rate. Though no one can stop the clock, there are things each person can do that may help make aging easier.

Recognize that change will happen.

Most people will have changes to hearing, sight, smell and taste as they age. Many people will lose some of their strength and energy. Some people may have other more serious health concerns that will affect how they age.

Think about it, Talk about it, Plan for it.

Talk with a health care provider about your health, or the health of your loved one. Ask what you can expect over time and what you can do to prepare for the future. While you cannot know what the future holds, planning ahead may help reduce stress that can happen when life changes.

Talking together

An Important part of planning for aging is talking to your loved ones about the future. There is a lot to talk about. Some things are quite practical, others are more emotional. Talking things over can help everyone face the future together. Talk now, Talk often if possible, and talk about future plans before a crisis occurs. You may need to talk more than once to cover topics such as finances, health, and future plans.

Also a good start would be Make a list of your important papers and where they are located. If possible, put them in one place so they can be found easily when needed. Give a copy of the list to a family member or a trusted friend.

A checklist of important papers:

- o Social Security and Medicare information
- o Location of recent signed will or trust, living will, or advance directive
- o Important medical information and list of medications taken regularly.
- o Birth Certificates, marriage, divorce, military discharge papers, Certificate Degree of Indian Blood.
- o Names of Banks, account numbers and statements.
- o Tax returns
- o Insurance information and policy numbers
- o Contact information of Doctors, etc.
- o Source of Income and assets
- o Car titles, registration, deeds for homes
- o Location of keys for safe deposit box (if any), cars, house, etc.



A Publication of planning for aging a practical guide.

CAREGIVER PROGRAM

Schedule of Trainings for the Coming Months

Tribal Health Department- Lyn Lane

Nutritional Presentations

- October 4th District 3 Srv. Ctr. 10 am-11:30 am
- October 6th District 6 Learning Ctr. 10 am-11:30 am
- November 15th District 3 Srv. Ctr 10 am-11:30 am
- November 17th District 6 Learning Ctr. 10 am-11:30 am
- December 6th District 3 Srv. Ctr 10 am-11:30 am
- December 13th District 6 Learning Ctr. 10 am-11:30 am



CONTACT: MARIO TORRES- CAREGIVER PROGRAM COORDINATOR - For Additional Information. 520-562-5232

Transportation is available if needed PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE OF TRAINING DATE.

Banner Alzheimer's Institute- Nicole Lomay

Alzheimer trainings

- October 5th District 1 Multipurpose Bldg. 10 am -11:30 am
- October 14th District 6 Learning Ctr. 10 am - 11:30 am
- November 2nd District 7 Comm. Hall 10 am - 11:30 am
- November 9th District 2 Multipurpose Rm. 10 am - 11:30 am
- December 5th District 4 Srv. Ctr 10 am - 11:30 am
- December 8th District 5 Srv. Ctr Gym 10 am - 11:30 am
- December 15th District 6 Learning Ctr. 10 am - 11:30 am



COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • September 7, 2016

ACTION SHEET

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CALL TO ORDER

The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday September 7, 2016, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by presiding Chairman Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:06am

INVOCATION

Provided by Councilwoman Sandra Nasewytewa

ROLL CALL

Sign-in Sheet Circulated

Executive Officers Present:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Lt. Governor Monica Antone (9:08)

Council Members Present:

D1- Joey Whitman, Arzie Hogg (9:14); D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Carolyn Williams, Rodney Jackson; D4- Nada Celaya (9:12), Jennifer Allison, Christopher Mendoza, Barney Enos, Jr.; D5-Brian Davis, Sr. (9:08), Robert Stone, Franklin Pablo, Sr.; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr., Sandra Nasewytewa; D7- Devin Redbird (9:28)

Council Members Absent:

D5- Marlin Dixon; D6- Charles Goldtooth

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVED AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS (Limit to 5-minutes)

*1. Introduction of Keith L. Graham, Human Resources Director

Presenter: Pamela Thompson

MS. PAMELA THOMPSON INTRODUCED MR. KEITH L. GRAHAM. MR. GRAHAM PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HIS BACKGROUND. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME AND EXPECTATIONS OF THE POSITION.

*2. Introduction of Lee Ann Wander, Tribal Social Services Director

Presenter: Pamela Thompson

MS. PAMELA THOMPSON INTRODUCED MS. LEE ANN WANDER. MS. WANDER PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HIS BACKGROUND. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME AND EXPECTATIONS OF THE POSITION.

3. Introduction of Velda A. Williams, Life Center Director

Presenter: Dr. Jessica Doney

DISPENSED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4. Space Camp Participants

Presenter: Isaac Salcido

MR. ISAAC SALCIDO PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAM AND INTRODUCED EACH OF THE PARTICIPANTS ALONG WITH THEIR PARENTS. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSED WORDS OF CONGRATULATIONS

[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 10:44 A.M.]

REPORTS

1. Department of Housing Development Evaluation & Assessment

Presenters: Pamela Thompson, Lisa Wiltshire-Mays

REPORT HEARD

2. American Legion, Haskell Osife-Antone Women's Auxiliary Unit 51

Presenter: Lois Thomas

REPORT HEARD

3. Peter Mock Groundwater Consulting, Inc. Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report

Presenter: Peter A. Mock

REPORT HEARD

4. Franzoy Consulting, Inc. Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report

Presenter: C. Eugene Franzoy

REPORT HEARD

5. Hardee Consulting Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report

Presenter: James C. Hardee

REPORT HEARD

6. Gookin Hydrology, PLC Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report

Presenter: Allen Gookin

REPORT HEARD

7. GRPD Update on School Resource Officer Program

Presenters: Ron Blass, Raymond Soto

REPORT HEARD

[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 1-HOUR LUNCH BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 1:33 P.M.]

8. Head Start May Monthly Report 2016

Presenter: Patricia Valenzuela

REPORT HEARD

9. Head Start June Monthly Report 2016

Presenter: Patricia Valenzuela

REPORT HEARD

10. Head Start July Monthly Report 2016

Presenter: Patricia Valenzuela

REPORT HEARD

11. 2015 - 2016 AIAN Head Start Program Information Report

Presenter: Patricia Valenzuela

REPORT HEARD

12. 2015 - 2016 AIAN Early Head Start Program Information Report

Presenter: Patricia Valenzuela

REPORT HEARD

13. 2015 - 2016 AIAN Early Head Start Partnership Program Information Report

Presenter: Patricia Valenzuela

REPORT HEARD

14. Maricopa Village Christian School Quarter 3 Report SY 2015-2016

Presenter: Elda Diaz

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

15. Skyline Gila River- District 5 School Quarter 3 Report SY 2015-2016

Presenter: Vaughn Flannigan

REPORT HEARD

16. Gila River Indian Community Tribal Education Department Johnson O'Malley Program Quarter 4 Report SY 2015-2016

Presenter: Isaac Salcido

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: Donald Pongrace, Jason Hauter

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

18. Dorsey & Whitney, LLP Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Mary J. Streitz, Esq.

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

19. Curry Law Firm, PLC Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Andrea J. Curry

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

20. The Rothstein Law Firm Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Eric N. Dahlstrom

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

21. Osborn Maledon, P.A. Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: David Rosenbaum, Mary O'Grady, J. Molinar

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

22. Greenberg Traurig, LLP Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Brian J. Schulman, Esq.

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

23. The Center For Applied Research, Inc. Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: Robby Robinson, Chad B. Linse

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

24. Gaming Commission General Report To The Community Council (Executive Session)

Presenters: Serena Joaquin, Courtney Moyah

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

25. Gila River Gaming Enterprise Report For July 2016 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Michael Feldman, GRGE Board Of Directors

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution Approving The Gila River Indian Community's 2016-2017 Tribal Membership And Designating Delegates In The National Congress Of American Indians (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Shannon White

APPROVED

2. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Towers Watson Delaware Inc For Fiscal Year 2017 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommen-

ation for approval)

Presenter: Sharon Harvier-Lewis

APPROVED

3. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And REDW, LLC. For Fiscal Year 2017 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Sharon Harvier-Lewis

APPROVED

4. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Yoder & Langford P.C. For Fiscal Year 2017 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Sharon Harvier-Lewis

APPROVED

5. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing The Transit Services Agreement Contract No. 128-75-2017 Between The Gila River Indian Community And The Regional Public Transportation Authority Providing For Fixed-Route Transit Services (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Pamela Thompson, Timothy Oliver

APPROVED

6. A Resolution Approving Modified Depreciation Rates For Gila River Telecommunication, Inc., Plant And Equipment (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, EDSC concurs)

Presenters: Bruce Holdridge, Board Members

APPROVED

7. A Resolution Approving The Participation Of The Gila River Indian Community In Wave Two Of The Land Buy-Back Program And The Related Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And The Department Of The Interior (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, NRSC & EDSC concur)

Presenter: Ronald Rosier

APPROVED

8. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Holbrook For The Holbrook Police Department, Vehicle Replacement Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

RESOLUTIONS #7 THROUGH #30

9. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For the Human Services, Housing Services Division, Homeless Outreach Dental Services (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

10. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To the City Of Phoenix For the Office Of Environmental Programs Regional Community Food Assessment (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

11. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Phoenix For the Phoenix Symphony Music Education Partnership Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

12. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For The UMOM New Day Centers, Inc. Women's Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

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Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

13. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Phoenix For The St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, Community Kitchen Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

14. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix Housing Department For the Right Care Immediate Resuscitation Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

15. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For The Human Resources/CAHILL Senior Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

16. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For the Human Services/Care 7 Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

17. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe For The Diversity Department ADA Transit Pilot Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

18. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Springerville For The Springerville Police Department, Vehicle Safety Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

19. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Chandler For the Vision Quest 20/20, Eye Spy 20/20 Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

20. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For the Arizona Masonic Foundation For Children (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

21. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Arizona Science Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

22. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From the Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Buckeye Valley Rural Volunteer Fire District (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

23. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Circle The City For Medical Respite Care (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

24. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Equine Spirit Programs Warrior Spirit (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

25. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Duet: Partners In Health And Aging, Escorted Transportation Services (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

26. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Phoenix Children's Hospital, Emergency Department Capital Campaign (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

27. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County Department Of Transportation For Bus PullOuts (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

28. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Tumbleweed Center For Youth Development (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

29. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For the United Cerebral Palsy Association Of Central Arizona (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

30. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From the Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Eagar For the Eagar Fire Department (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #8

31. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing Amendments To The Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Harvey Economics, The Center For Applied Research, Inc. And Osborn Maledon, P.A. For The Remainder Of Fiscal Year 2016 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Linus Everling

APPROVED

32. A Resolution Approving A Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community Fire Department And Wild Horse Pass Motor Sports Park (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, EDSC concurs)

Presenter: Ronald Rosier

APPROVED

33. A Resolution Granting A Permanent Irrigation Easement And A Temporary Construction Easement To The United States Of America, For Reach Casa Blanca Canal On Portions Of Allotted Trust Land Located Within The Exterior Boundaries Of The Gila River Indian Reservation And Setting The Amount Of Compensation Due To The Community For The Community's Undivided Interest In Such Allotted Trust Land (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Henrietta Lopez

APPROVED

34. A Resolution Granting The Pima-Maricopa Irrigation Project Permission To Gain Early Access to Tribal Trust Land For The Purpose Of Constructing The Casa Blanca Road Siphon And Old Highway 93 Siphon For The New Casa Blanca Canal In District 5 Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: David DeJong

APPROVED

35. A Resolution Approving the Petition for the

Enrollment of Larissa Paula Manuel into the Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Wayne Nelson Jr.

APPROVED

36. A Resolution Approving the Petition for the Enrollment of Arlan Bergen into the Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Wayne Nelson Jr.

APPROVED

37. A Resolution Approving the Petition for the Enrollment of Adriane Monica Creighton into the Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Wayne Nelson Jr.

APPROVED

38. A Resolution Approving the Petition for the Enrollment of Michael James Gopher, Jr. into the Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Wayne Nelson Jr.

APPROVED

39. A Resolution Approving the Removal of Alexander Lloyd Reams from the Membership Roll of the Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Wayne Nelson Jr.

APPROVED

40. A Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community and the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office for the Use of Arizona Automated Fingerprint Identification System (LSC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Kathleen Elliott, Jeffrey Hunter

APPROVED

ORDINANCES

1. The Gila River Indian Community Council Hereby Amends The Gila River Indian Community Code By Rescinding Ordinance GR-8-09 And Its Subsequent Amendments; And Enacting The Amended Title 22, Chapter 1-12 (LSC forwards to Community Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Serena Joaquin, Courtney Moyah

APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**NEW BUSINESS**

*1. RE-187-16; Pasqua Yaqui Tribe, 2016 Historical Run Concurrence (CRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Paul Shorthair

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

2. FY17 Community Council Broadcasting Contract (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Shannon White

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

3. FY17 Council Network & Support (G&MSC forward to Council with recommendation for approval selecting option #1)

Presenter: Shannon White

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

4. District One Motion Sheet For The Housing Advisory Committee (G&MSC forward to Council with recommendation of approval with the appointment of Cheryl Coppedge)

Presenter: Laurie Thomas

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

5. District Four Motion Sheet For The Housing Advisory Committee (G&MSC forward to Council with recommendation of approval with the appointment of Regina Antone-Smith)

Presenter: Laurie Thomas

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

6. GRHC Board of Directors Notice of (2) Vacancies (HSSC motioned to forward to Council to advertise two (2) vacant positions for 60 days subject to the code of conduct)

Presenter: Cynthia Antone

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ADVERTISE

FOR 60 DAYS

7. GRGE BOD Vacancy (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council to advertise one (1) vacant position for 60 days subject to the code of conduct)

Presenters: Deborah Griffin, Board of Directors

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MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ADVERTISE FOR 60 DAYS

8. Appointment of Brenda Kyyitan As District Five P&Z Commissioner Representative (G&MSC forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Sharon Lewis

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

9. Request for Special Council Work Session (G&MSC forward to Council with recommendation for approval with the date of September 22, 2016)

Presenter: Treasurer Robert G. Keller

MOTION: MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE SEPTEMBER 22, 2016

10. Gila River Farms Board of Director Resignation (G&MSC motions to accept the resignation and to forward the resignation to Council for appointment)

Presenter: Arzie Hogg

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPOINT MR. BARNEY ENOS, JR.

11. Global Gaming Expo (G&MSC motions for the Committee members to attend the Conference and to forward to Council for consideration)

Presenters: Government & Management Standing Committee

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE ANY INTERESTED COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

12. Pinal County's Preferred Alignment of Hunt Highway And Farms Road (Executive Session)

(G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, NRSC & EDSC concur)

Presenters: Ronald Rosier, Javier Ramos

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

13. Arizona Department Of Revenue Request For Intergovernmental Agreement (Executive Session)

(G&MSC motions to forward to Community Council for Action, EDSC concurs)

Presenter: Ronald Rosier

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SUPPORT AND ENDORSE THE TRIBAL DRAFT IGA MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO AUTHORIZE OGC AND THE TREASURER'S OFFICE TO NEGOTIATE AN IGA WITH ADR

14. Revenue Internal Audit 3rd Quarter Report (Executive Session) (G&MSC motions to forward to Community Council in Executive Session)

Presenters: Treasurer Robert G. Keller, Dena Thomas

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT

15. Gila River Health Care FY2015 External Audit (Executive Session) (HSSC motion to forward to Council under New Business in Executive Session G&MSC concurs)

Presenters: REDW Representatives

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION [ADDENDUM TO AGENDA]

16. Reviewing Committee Supplemental Information

Presenter: Councilman Franklin Pablo, Sr.

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO RE-ADVERTISE THE WHPDA BOARD POSITION FOR 60-DAYS

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO REMOVE LETHA LAMB FROM WILD HORSE PASS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND GILA RIVER TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC BOARDS

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DECLARE AND ADVERTISE (1) GRTI BOARD POSITION FOR 60-DAYS

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MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DECLARE AND ADVERTISE (1) GRTI BOARD POSITION FOR 60-DAYS

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE WITH CORRECTIONS

MINUTES

1. May 18, 2016 (Regular)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

2. June 15, 2016 (Regular)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE WITH CORRECTIONS

3. June 23, 2016 (Special) MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

4. July 15, 2016 (Special)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

5. August 26, 2016 (Special)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

>LITIGATION TEAM MEETING, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016, 9AM

>DEBORAH MORAGO, SERVICES, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2016, 7AM, ST. ANTHONY'S

>SPECIAL ESC MEETING, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016

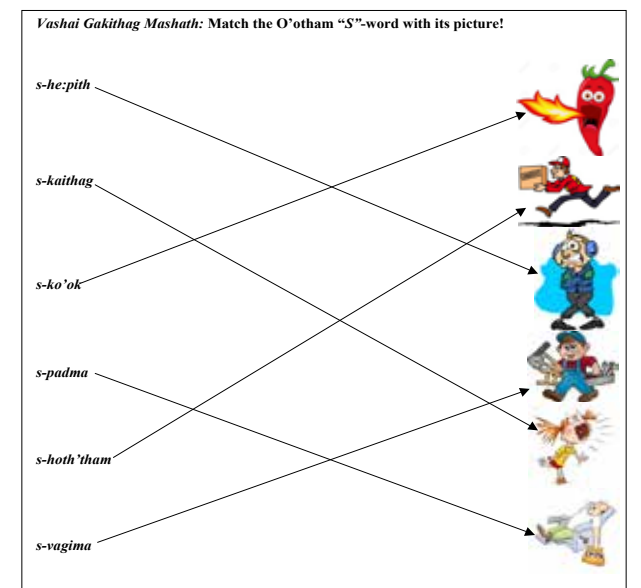
>MR. LEWIS SERVICES FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2016 & SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2016, DISTRICT 5

>MR. FULWILDER SERVICES AND SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2016 & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2016, DISTRICT 5

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:35PM

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)



COURT NOTICES

Name of Person: Chris Allen
Type of Hearing: Annual Guardianship Review hearing
Case Number: J-13-0016/0017/0018/0019/0020
Court Date: October 26, 2016 @ 1:30 pm
Courtroom: #2, 1ST FLOOR
Location: Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court
Address: 10,005 E. Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256

Name of Person: Anthony Allen
Type of Hearing: Annual Guardianship Review hearing
Case Number: J-13-0016/0017/0018/0019/0020
Court Date: October 26, 2016 @ 1:30 pm
Courtroom: #2, 1ST FLOOR
Location: Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court
Address: 10,005 E. Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256

Name of Person: Hailey Enos
Type of Hearing: Annual Guardianship Review hearing
Case Number: J-13-0016/0017/0018/0019/0020
Court Date: October 26, 2016 @ 1:30 pm
Courtroom: #2, 1ST FLOOR
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Name of Person: Ryle Howard
Type of Hearing: Annual Guardianship Review hearing
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Court Date: October 26, 2016 @ 1:30 pm
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Name of Person: Donald M. Johnson King
Type of Hearing: Default Notice Hearing
Case Number: CFCS-16-0013
Court Date: October 24, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.
Court room: #4, 2nd Floor
Location: Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court
Address: 10,005 E. Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256

Name of Person: Marcus Michael Schurz
Type of Hearing: NOTICE OF DEFAULT JUDGMENT HEARING
Case Number: C-14-0045
Court Date: November 14, 2016 @ 1:30 p.m.
Court room: #4, 2nd Floor.
Location: Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court
Address: 10,005 E. Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is announcing the 30-day public comment period for the issuance of the air quality operating permit for the following facility:

Facility Name: Arizona Materials, LLC (AZ Materials)
Facility Address: 2161 W. Tanner Rd., Sacaton, AZ 85147
Owner Name: Arizona Materials
Owner Address: 3636 S. 43rd Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85009
Air Contaminants Emitted: Particulate Matter less than 10 microns in diameter (PM10)
Particulate Matter (PM)
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)
Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)
Public Notice Start Date: Aug 19, 2016
Public Notice End Date: Sept. 19, 2016

Public comments will be accepted in writing until the public notice end date, after which staff will review and respond to all the comments received. Any person may submit a written comment or a request to the DEQ to conduct a public hearing for the purpose of receiving oral or written comments on the proposed air quality operating permits. Such comments and requests shall be received by the DEQ within 30 days of the date of the first publication notice. A written comment shall state the name and mailing address of the person, shall be signed by the person, his agent or his attorney and shall clearly set forth reasons why the permit should or should not be issued. Grounds for comment are limited to whether the proposed permit meets the criteria for issuance prescribed in the GRIC Code: Title 17, Chapter 9 of

the Air Quality Management Plan. Only persons who submit written comments may appeal a permit decision. Copies of the permit application, the proposed permit, and relevant background material will be available for review at the DEQ Sacaton office (during normal business hours) and on the AQP website at: http://www.gricdeq.org/index.php/education--outreach/public-notice. Requests and written comments may be delivered or mailed to: Gila River Indian Community Department of Environmental Quality Attn: Ryan Eberle Mailing Address: P.O. Box 97, Sacaton, AZ 85147 Physical Address: 45 S. Church St., Sacaton, AZ 85147 For further information, please contact Ryan Eberle at (520) 796-3781 or visit our office located at 45 S. Church St., Sacaton, AZ 85147. Our office hours are Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

DRS Inmate Commissary

Subject: DRS Inmate Commissary Greetings, In a concerted effort to improve customer service effective October 3, 2016 DRS will not accept Inmate Commissary Deposit receipts at the front lobby window. This will improve customer service for the families and friends of inmates who currently deposit inmate commissary funds at the cashier's office, by eliminating the extra trip to the DRS adult jail. The deposit will continue to be accepted at the Cashier's office located in the Governance Center. However, once the funds are deposited at the Cashier's office the deposit receipt will be emailed to DRS. DRS will credit the inmate commissary account immediately after receiving the receipt. Ron Lopez Chief Administrator

COURT DATE NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA COURT DATE NOTICE In Re Case: C. SANTOS III Docket Number: CV-2012-0055 This case has been scheduled and YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR on the date, time and place designated below. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR your

hearing may be held in absentia and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, forfeiture of your bond, judgment in favor of the other party, or jail time may be ordered. Sacaton Community Court 721 West Seed Farm Road Sacaton, Arizona 85147 (520) 562-9860 DATE: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2016 Issued by: R. THOMAS, COURT CLERK STATUS HEARING TIME: 11 :00 A.M. Date: Thursday, September 08, 2016 *GIVEN TO ALL PARTIES PRESENT ON THIS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016 IN OPEN COURT.

COURT DATE NOTICE

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Court ANDRIA MARIE KISTO, V MARCUS MICHAEL SCHURZ, To: Marcus Michael Schurz, RESPONDENT 10005 E. Osborn Road Scottsdale, Arizona 85256 (480) 362-6315 Petitioner, Case No. C-14-0045 Respondent. DEFAULT NOTICE I. A Complaint / Petition has been filed against you in this Court and your immediate attention to this fact is urgent if you do not want judgment entered against you. 2. The Court record reflects that you have failed to respond to defend by filing an answer, motion to dismiss, request for extension of time or other responsive pleading and you have failed to attend hearings at the Court called for this matter. 3. If you do not defend against this suit within Thirty (30) days from the date the Process Server hands you this or you are served with it otherwise as permitted under the Community Code, the Court may enter default judgment against you. 4. A default judgment may have serious, adverse, and irreversible consequences against you. 5. If you want to defend against the claim and avoid default judgment entered against you, you must file a written answer, motion to dismiss or

responsive pleading within thirty (30) days from when you are served with this Notice. The Court will not extend time for your response and you must make your response in writing, no oral responses will be accepted. 6. If you do nothing, the Court may give Judgment for what the Complaint demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by Default) DATED this 2nd of August, 2016. CLERK OF COURT SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT SEAL

DEFAULT NOTICE

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Court 10005 E. Osborn Road Scottsdale, Arizona 85256 (480)362-6315 JULIA ANN RAY, V DONALDA MARIE JOHNSON KING, Petitioner, Respondent. Case No. CFCS-16-0013 DEFAULT NOTICE To: Donald Marie Johnson King, RESPONDENT 1. A Complaint / Petition has been filed against you in this Court and your immediate attention to this fact is urgent if you do not want judgment entered against you. 2. The Court record reflects that you have failed to respond to defend by filing an answer, motion to dismiss, request for extension of time or other responsive pleading and you have failed to attend hearings at the Court called for this matter. 3. If you do not defend against this suit within Thirty (30) days from the date the Process Server hands you this or you are served with it otherwise as permitted under the Community Code, the Court may enter default judgment against you. 4. A default judgment may have serious, adverse, and irreversible consequences against you. 5. If you want to defend against the claim and avoid default judgment entered against you, you must file a written answer, motion to dismiss or

other responsive pleading within thirty (30) days from when you are served with this Notice. The Court will not extend time for your response and you must make your response in writing, no oral responses will be accepted. 6. If you do nothing, the Court may give Judgment for what the Complaint demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by Default) DATED this 12th of August, 2016. CLERK OF COURT SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT S E A L

COURT NOTICE

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT STATE OF ARIZONA Sacaton Judicial Court Sacaton, Arizona Ashli Joe Plaintiff(s) Vs Antonio Bandin Defendant(s). Case Number: CV-2016-0228 CIVIL RESTRAINING ORDER: THE ABOVE ENTITLED MATTER HAVING COME BEFORE THIS COURT, upon a motion for a RESTRAINING ORDER; and it appearing that a Restraining Order is needed and the Court finding good cause to issue and place into effect, this date, a Restraining Order against the named defendant, Antonio Bandin. THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT THE NAMED DEFENDANT IS RESTRAINED FROM COMING ABOUT THE NAMED Ashli Joe, Chasity Norris (minor), Jayden Joe (minor) and Mia Norris (minor) IN ANY MANNER: [X] FOR THE PERIOD OF: until the next scheduled hearing on October 21, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. FURTHER, A WARRANT OF ARREST WILL BE ISSUED, IF DEFENDANT VIOLATES THIS RESTRAINING ORDER.

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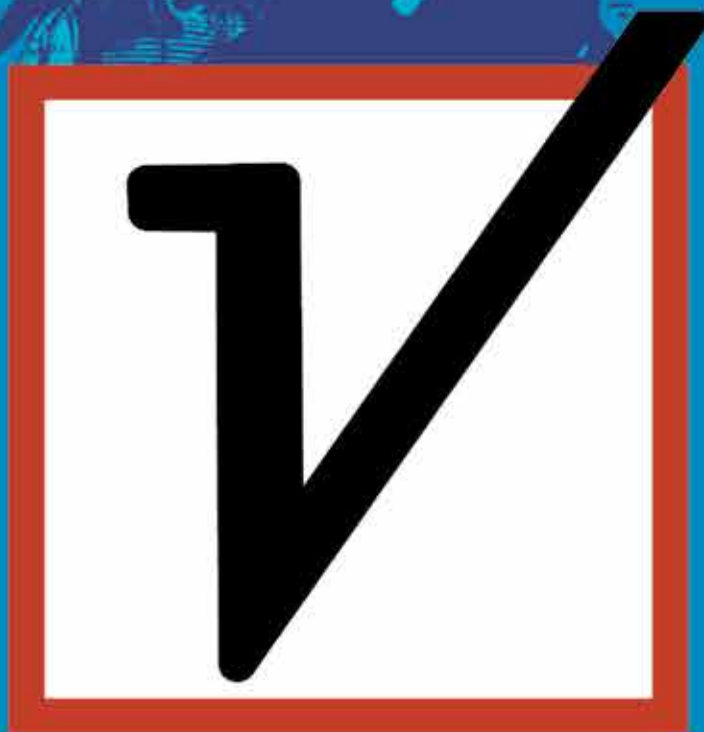
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Important Dates

Arizona General Election
Tuesday, November 8

Registration Closes
Monday, October 10

Early Voting Begins
Wednesday, October 12

Last Day to Request an Early Ballot
Friday, October 28

Last Day to Return Ballot
Tuesday, November 8

Voter Registration Board Members

District 1 Cecelia Eddie, Joyce McAffe

District 2 Joella Velasco, Valerie Webb

District 3 Rebecca Kisto, Zuzette Kisto

District 4 Darlene Burnette, Annette Tsosie

District 5 Bonnie Lyons, Jake Antone

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