

## Emergency declaration issued after monsoon storm

**Thomas R. Throssell**  
Gila River Indian News

This past July the Gila River Indian Community was hit by two strong monsoon storms causing wind and flood damage to residential homes and tribal facilities.

Damages caused by the storms were so severe GRIC's Executive Office issued an emergency declaration on July 24 after it was determined tribal assistance was necessary to provide aid to the Community and help in its recovery from the storm.

In an effort to keep residential and tribal facilities from suffering further damage, volunteers made up of tribal members and employees worked together filling sandbags, digging trenches, and assisting in emergency repairs throughout the Community.

### July 16 Monsoon

Most of the damage caused by the first monsoon storm, which occurred during the evening of July 16, was due to strong winds.

Robert DeLeon, Director of Operations for the Office of the Emergency Management, said there were significant power outages throughout the Community, as well as reports of damage.

"The first (report of damage) we heard of was from our Governance Center," said DeLeon. "They had the wind blow out two of the large windows at the center



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**Volunteers help prepare sandbags before shipping them out to areas of the Community suffering from flooding.**

that allowed rain to get in. There was a parking structure that was also damaged, it was essentially ripped off its stands." DeLeon noted several tribal vehicles were also damaged when the parking structure fell.

The roof of a Pima Maricopa Irrigation Project modular building was torn off due to

high winds, causing water to get into the building. Additionally, the dispatch center lost electrical power and was functioning off of backup battery power and 38 mature trees were toppled during the storm.

Throughout the Community, approximately a dozen homes were damaged, mainly due to

high winds.

While there is no weather data showing how strong the monsoon winds were, DeLeon said based off of the types of damages caused, it can be surmised the storm met microburst conditions.

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## AZ to CA: Tribal reps visit LA GRIC members



Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

**Tribal leaders including Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Lt. Gov. Monica Antone and Community Council Representatives, pose with California GRIC members in Los Angeles at UAII Community Center on July 29.**

**Roberto A. Jackson**  
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The connection between the Gila River Indian Community and its members in Southern California is a lot stronger after a group of tribal leaders and depart-

ments met with GRIC members and their families in downtown Los Angeles.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Lt. Gov. Monica Antone, Council Representatives Carol Schurz, Pamela Johnson, Janice Stewart, Barney Enos Jr., Terrance B. Ev-

ans, Chief Judge Victor Antone and several departments presented and provided information to the L.A. members at the United American Indian Involvement (UAII) Community Center on July 29. They were hosted by many of the Community mem-

bers who live in L.A. The members coordinated with UAII to provide food and resources for the meeting.

"It's an honor to renew our relationships with all of our relatives," Gov. Lewis said in his address at the outreach meeting. Lewis touched on several issues at the meeting including housing, ICWA and GRIC's water settlement, which included a video of the MAR-5 site. "We have an abundance of departments here that are critical to Community members," he said. Those departments included Tribal Education, Enrollment/Census, Per Capita, Tribal Elections Program, Tribal Social Services and Communications & Public Affairs. Gila River Health Care board member Katherine Lewis was also on hand to discuss health care as well as Rodney B. Lewis to discuss water rights and his appointment to the 15-member Central Arizona Water Conservation District Board of Directors. Mr. Lewis, who was attended the UCLA School of Law in the early 1970s, recalled fond memories of residing in L.A. while studying law. He also spoke of the state of the GRIC water settlement such as the 311,800

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## GRIN Newsperson signs off

**Mikhail Sundust**  
Gila River Indian News

Dear Reader,

Working for the Gila River Indian News has been a blessing and a privilege. In the five years that I have served as a GRIN reporter, I have been fortunate to experience the beauty of our land and cultures, both Akimel O'otham and Pee Posh.

This Community has shaped me and helped me grow into the person I am today. It has shown me who I am and where I come from. There are many interesting aspects to the job we do as reporters, but for me, the most rewarding part has been meeting and

building relationships with you, the people. I will miss telling your stories. Thank you for allowing me into your lives.

Many of my favorite memories are tied to this land and the people who have made it vibrant. I look back fondly on annual events like the Mul-Chu-Tha, the Mustering-In Day Celebration, the O'otham New Year, and the Winter Bird Count. I can't help but smile at the memory of all of the wonderful community events hosted at the Huhugam Heritage Center.

I will miss driving through our beautiful, lush valley, from Blackwater to Maricopa Village. I will miss seeing the river every day as I cross it on the I-10, espe-

cially when it is filled with water from a heavy rain.

I leave the GRIN full of pride in my Community and gratitude for the friendships I have gained. From here I will go on to pursue graduate studies at Arizona State University in Downtown Phoenix. I will miss the Community, but I won't be far and expect to visit regularly.

Working here has shown me the heart of a community, and I always felt welcomed. Collectively, we share an identity, one inherent in our land, our languages, our water, and the stories of our ancestors. As I say farewell, know that I will take a part of the Community with me in my heart everywhere I go.

Thank you and God bless,

Mikhail Sundust



Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

**Mikhail Sundust has been a Community Newsperson since 2012.**

## WIOA interns wrap-up summer internship program

**Thomas R. Throssell**  
Gila River Indian News

From early June through mid-July, over 100 Work Force Innovation Opportunity Act interns have been hard at work in different tribal government departments throughout the Gila River Indian Community and participating in workshops learning important life skills.

In celebration of interns finishing their summer program, the Employment and Training Department held its Annual Awards Banquet on July 19 at District 3's Head Start with performances by the Gila River Basket Dancers, presentations from the Gila River Cadet Program, Indian Nations Camp, Edit Box Program, and guest speakers, Richard Narcia and Phillip Morales.

Lana Chanda, Employment & Training Director, said the program is important to the community's youth, because it teaches important skills that can only be learned in the workplace.

"(WIOA) is to introduce the youth to the workplace," said Chanda. "What it takes to be an employee, the expectations of an employer, team work... we go over things that they are going to need to know, like you have to be a team player, you must have good attendance, you have to



Thomas R. Throssell/GRIN

**Micah Pena dances with other members of WIOA and GRIC Basket Dancers at the Annual Awards Banquet held at the District 3 Head Start on July 19.**

get a long with everybody, know chain of command," she said.

Chanda said the program is a good way for youth, ages 14 – 21, to figure out what they want to do as a career, because they have the opportunity to participate in different work environments.

"The opportunity to do that and make their mistakes as they

go along is really key because then they can come back another year and try something else out," Chanda said.

For many of the interns, the summer work program was a positive experience where they not only learned about new career opportunities, they learned about themselves.

Micah Pena, a 19-year-old from District 5, who participated in the cadet program that works with the GRPD, Gila River Fire Department, and Emergency Services, said he liked everything about the summer program and highly recommends it to other Community youth.

"I made a family in the cadet program," Pena said. "We are all closer than when we first went in there and I like the fact that we were talking about our culture and history, and learning more about what law enforcement does, and fire and EMS."

For 18-year-old Wakinyan Redbull of District 1, this year's summer program is his second time participating in the program, and he believes it is a great way of earning job experience.

"If you are looking for experience, the first responders program would be perfect for that, getting a look into what the police, fire, and EMS do for the tribe," he said.

Redbull said he participated in the first responder's program because he wants to become a Community police officer and eventually a ranger.

For more information about next year's summer WIOA Summer Program, call Employment & Training at (520) 562-3388.



# GRIC film student focuses on Native wellness, becomes award-winning director

**Mikhail Sundust**  
Gila River Indian News

Growing up, Mark Lewis loved mixed martial arts, both watching and participating in fights. But there was something missing – he didn't see other Native Americans, like him, represented in the sports he enjoyed, especially not on TV.

"I grew up wrestling and boxing, these combat sports, and I never saw any other Natives," he said. "That was before Google. I couldn't YouTube anything, and it frustrated me." Now, the 38-year-old filmmaker is working to change that for others.

Lewis is an award-winning film director, whose work focuses primarily on Native Americans working to improve their health and wellness. His interest in MMA and desire to see Native fighters represented in film led him to create a short documentary earlier this year, called Legacy.

Legacy follows Nikki Lowe (Seminole Creek and Chickasaw), a mother whose two passions in life are her children and becoming an MMA Fighter. The ten-minute documentary describes the challenges Nikki has faced in her life and shows how working on her physical, mental, and emotional health has helped her overcome those challenges.

The film has won awards for Best Native American Directed Short Film at the Phoenix Film

Festival and Best Documentary and Best Director in the New Mexico Women In Film Fiesta. Last month, Legacy was featured in the PBS Online Film Festival.

Lewis said, "I wanted to show another journey and the fact that it was a Native single mother holding down a day job, suffering these tragedies, these setbacks, just like everyone else, but still fighting for more, especially on a professional level, really motivated me," he said. "She's an inspirational person. Her energy and passion is contagious."

### Back to School

Lewis worked for years as a free-lance photographer before he decided to turn his attention to filmmaking. He is studying at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, NM, earning a degree in Cinematic Technology. He begins his third year this fall and plans on graduating in 2018.

"Coming back to school as an adult, you have a whole different perspective," he said. "You're more focused, you're more serious, you're more mature, you know how to apply your life skills, and that's what I've been trying to do so it's been working out really good."

He said going back to school was possible because of the GRIC scholarship program. "As an enrolled member, that was such a blessing for me to be able to just focus on school." He said, "I've just

been grinding it out since I got here, just learning everything and anything I can. Not only in school, but doing tutorials on my own time, side projects."

All those side projects led to creation of his very own production company. Lewis is Akimel O'otham, Tohono O'odham, and Sac and Fox Nation. His production company, Fox Clan Productions, is named for his Fox Clan heritage.

Sometimes early success can cause a student to leave school and pursue their projects, but Lewis sees value in a formal education and wants to complete his degree despite the success he's had and the side-projects he is pursuing.

### Everyday Heroes

Lewis has produced a number of videos related to fitness and health. One features a cross fit gym that held a Native American Cross Fit competition in Fountain Hills, Ariz. Another centers on an International Yoga Day event with Hozho Total Wellness, a Navajo-owned yoga studio near Gallup, NM.

Lewis aims to document the stories of what he calls everyday heroes – normal people, Natives, who work hard and improve themselves day by day.

He said, "I know there's tons of Natives out there that are really active, really physical, and really healthy and I just wanted to get into film and start documenting these journeys of



Photo Courtesy of Mark Lewis

**Mark Lewis, film creator and GRIC student at the Institute of American Indian Arts.**

these everyday heroes."

He said, "They're not like super stars or anything like that, but they get in, they live a healthy life, they balance family, they balance their culture, and they're on their own journey. It inspires me when I see other Natives and I want to inspire other Natives. ... I'd say my focus, if I had to sum it up in one word, would be resilience – community and individual resilience. Those are the stories that I'm focusing on."

### Resilience

Lewis has his own inspiring story of resilience and transformation, but you won't see it on film because he stays behind the camera. Lewis's own health challenges, and his victory over them, help him relate to the subjects of his films.

"In 2010 I was just really unhealthy inside and out," he said. At that time, he suffered from depression, back pain, anxiety attacks, high blood pressure, and, after several trips to the E.R., discovered he had a naturally diminished heart size, which was working overtime to sustain his body.

"I was about 290 pounds. ... I was really unhealthy, from just my diet to my daily life – I didn't work out, I wasn't doing anything at that time." But, he said, "from then to now has been a huge change."

After a series of visits to the chiropractor, he slowly got back into running. "I started with just a walk around the block because I was so big, that would make me sweat and that would exhaust me. Eventually that turned into a mile of walking, which turned into a mile running, then turned into three miles of jogging."

In less than two years, he lost over 100 pounds. Eventually he got back into weight lifting and MMA training, and was able to get off all of the medication his doctors prescribed for his various ailments.



Photo Courtesy of Mark Lewis

**Nikki Lowe in the award winning short documentary Legacy, which was directed by Mark Lewis and is available at [vimeo.com/foxclanproductions](http://vimeo.com/foxclanproductions).**

"Total, I'm 117 pounds lighter. I only take my heart medication and that's it. My blood pressure is good, anxiety is gone, everything else is gone."

### Healthy Active Natives

While on his own wellness journey, Lewis found inspiration on the HANs page. He said, "I really like websites like HANs because everyone on there, everybody inspires me all the time."

Lewis recently teamed up with Waylon Pahona, the founder of the Healthy Active Natives (HANs) Facebook group, to do a feature-length documentary about Natives who are healthy and active. Earlier this year he reached out to Pahona to discuss the idea of using film to highlight some everyday heroes. Pahona said he had a similar idea and was just waiting for a filmmaker who shared his vision.

"In January of 2017, I said, I want to make a documentary, I just want to impact lives," said Pahona. "And the crazy thing is, he had a similar idea. I think the overall goal is to show the struggle that people go through and that you can overcome those struggles."

Pahona said, "Our everyday heroes are normal people from the reservation, those who have overcome the struggles of addiction, weight-loss, mental health. Those types of [stories], I believe, are powerful when you see people who have overcome those types of struggles."

He and Lewis want to showcase Native wellness from a holistic perspective, not just the physical side of

wellness, but the emotional, psychological and spiritual aspects as well. In the stories Lewis sees online and pursues with his craft he sees people who have been dealt a difficult hand.

"We have a lot of baggage, a lot of hurt, a lot of things that we're dealing with," he said, "and it manifests itself in the physical world in different ways, through depression, maybe substance abuse, sometimes it can be overworking yourself." But, he said, he loves to see people working to overcome those life challenges, and prefers to tell stories of health as a total wellness endeavor, "not just getting model looks or a six-pack. It's more than your weight or a number on the scale."

The documentary is a work in progress and will take some time to complete, said Lewis, because it means traveling to different Native communities at different times of the year.

"It's not something I'm rushing right now, because it really is about finding the right people and the right stories. And it's not something you can just go out and shoot. It's something more organic," he said. "It's coming together. It's something I'm working on in my own time, but I'm definitely pursuing funding for it."

To support Lewis's latest project, visit [gofundme.com](http://gofundme.com) and search for "Healthy Native Lifeways Film." To view some of Lewis's other work, visit [vimeo.com/foxclanproductions](http://vimeo.com/foxclanproductions). The award-winning film 'Legacy' is available at [filmfreeway.com/project/legacy](http://filmfreeway.com/project/legacy).

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# Community Council certifies candidates for the Sept. 19 primary

## GRIN Staff Gila River Indian News

During the First Regular Monthly meeting of the Community Council meeting at the Gila River Governance Center in Sacaton, Tribal Council officially certified the candidates for the 2017 Primary Election on August 2.

Running for Governor are Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Lt. Gov. Monica Antone, District Five Council Representative Franklin Pablo, Sr., and former GRIC Gov. Richard P. Narcia.

The candidates, who were certified to run for lieutenant governor, are: David Anderson, Robert Stone, District 5 Council Representative, Carolyn Williams, District 3 Council Representative, Sandra Nasewytewa, former District 6 Council Representative Christopher Mendoza, former District 4 Council Representative Brian E. Davis Sr., former District 5 Council Representative Merry Kris Kyyitan and Barney B. Enos Jr., District 4 Council Representative

Below is a list of candidates that will be running for Chief

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Garren Manuel

Janice Breckenridge  
Victor Antone  
Lawanda Pablo  
Melody Parsons  
Lucinda M. Nez  
Now that the candi-

dates have been certified, Community members will have an opportunity to vote for their next tribal leaders during the primary election that will be held on September 19, with the exception

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# Around the Sister Tribes: Updates from the TON, SRPMIC and Ak-Chin

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## Expansion planned for casino near Glendale

The Tohono O’odham Gaming Enterprise recently announced that the Tohono O’odham Nation will begin construction in the next six months at the Desert Diamond Casino – West Val-

ley according to the Tohono O’odham Runner. The expansion comes on the heels of their agreement to settle their dispute with the State of Arizona regarding the casino near the City of Glendale, which will allow the casino to move forward with a class III gaming license.

## Four Tribes meet in SRPMIC

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community hosted the Gila River Indian Community, Tohono O’odham Nation and the Ak-Chin Indian Community at their new SRPMIC Justice Center on June 24 according to the Au-Authm Action News.

The annual meeting consists of topics imperative to the individual tribes and shared issues. SRPMIC Chief Judge Ryan Andrews provided information on the new facility and talked about new tribal court and education programs. Each tribe gave updates and GRIC, which was represented by Gov. Stephen

Roe Lewis and Lt. Gov. Monica Antone, discussed Indian Child Welfare Act cases and the Phoenix South Mountain Freeway Loop 202 Extension.

## Construction underway at Harrah’s Ak-Chin Casino

New additions are under construction at the

Harrah’s Ak-Chin Casino. The Ak-Chin Runner reports that the additions include a 12-story hotel, new parking garage, new bingo hall and a pedestrian walkway, which will connect the casino to the UltraStar Multi-tainment Center.

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“We are told that the parking structures are built to withstand 100 mph plus (winds),” he said. “For it to move and break off its stand the way it did, it was probably something to that kind of wind speed and that only happens during a microburst or a tornado. (A tornado) wasn’t witnessed... so the only assumption was that it was a microburst,” he added.

### July 23-24 Monsoon

On the evening of July 23 through the morning of July 24, a second monsoon storm following a similar path as the first, dumped large amounts of rain in the Community causing flooding in residential homes and tribal government buildings.

DeLeon said 38 homes

were damaged with four needing significant repairs due to severe flooding.

Tribal facilities also suffered flooding including the Council Ke, Management Information Systems’ modular building and eight vehicles in its parking lot, and the District 3 Warehouse. Other tribal facilities damaged in the storm were the District 3 Early Child Care Center, the Executive Ke, and the Cultural Resources Management Program’s offices.

In addition to residential and tribal facility damages, there were several road closures including Olberg Road, which was washed out, Casa Blanca Road due to water crossing the road, and Sacaton Road because of water overflow-

ing from the nearby river.

While there were no reports of injuries in either storm, the Gila River Fire Department performed a water rescue in the Chandler Heights area, where seven individuals were standing on a levee watching the water.

“It got to the point where (the water) got so high they couldn’t get out. So the fire department had to go out there and help them. There were no injuries, no one was hurt, but they did have to do a water rescue,” DeLeon said.

Overall, Districts 2, 3, and 5 suffered the most damage caused by the monsoon storm.

## Preparing For The Next Storm

Because monsoon

storms can occur quickly, dump large amounts of water, create microburst wind speeds of over 100 mph, and leave within just a few minutes, it can be difficult to forecast when and where they will occur.

Which is why it is important to be prepared well in advance of the June 15 – September 15 monsoon season.

“The big thing...is we really want people to try and be able to support themselves for the first 72 hours, so we always ask people to put (together) 72 hour kits,” said DeLeon.

He said because monsoon storms can cause widespread damage throughout the Community, it may take time for emergency crews to reach

your area, which is why it is important to have the necessities needed to survive 72 hours.

A 72 hour kit includes prescription medications, glasses, infant formula, diapers, important family documents, cash, emergency reference material like first aid books, sleeping bags, blankets, a complete change of clothes, feminine supplies, and much more.

To help Community members put together their own 72 hours emergency kits, OEM provides detailed information at gricready.org and on their phone application, which is called GRIC-OEM and is available on Android and iPhone devices. OEM’s app also has alert notifications that will tell you of incom-

ing severe weather or other emergency issues within the Community.

For more information call the Office of the Emergency Management at (520) 796-3755.



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**Robert DeLeon, Director of OEM, stands above a fleet of vehicles used during emergencies in the Community.**

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1:00pm			Samaqan Water Stories Sacred Head Waters	Ravens and Eagles	Samaqan Water Stories Fraser River Part 1	Ravens and Eagles Spruce Root Weaver	Seasoned with Spirit Bounty of the River's Edge	
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2:00pm	Native Shorts Ebony Society	Vitality Health Fitness Day	Vitality Health Diabetes Management Day	Vitality Health Spirituality Day	Vitality Health Nutrition Day	Vitality Health Health Management Day	Sivummut	
2:30pm	Native Shorts Gesture Down / Tungjuq	From The Spirit Fred McDonald	From The Spirit Terry McCue	From The Spirit Dale Auger	From The Spirit Tim Paul	From The Spirit Sean Couchie	People of the Pines Assimilation	
3:00pm	Native Shorts Wapawekka	Working It Out Together Feed The Soul	Indian Pride Spirituality	On Native Ground: Youth Report	Indian Pride Tribal Relations w/USA	Storytellers in Motion Wapos Bay: Behind Scenes	Making Regalia	
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4:30pm	Native Shorts Rocket Boy	Native Report	People of the Pines American California	Making Regalia	People of the Pines Native Resistance	Make Prayers to the Raven	Indians and Aliens Matthew Mukash	
5:00pm	Native Shorts Sikumi	2017 SHRED IN THE NAME OF LOVE SKATE COMPETITION @D3	K'ina Kil: The Slaver's Son	BARNABY LEWIS CULTURAL PRESENTATION	SNAKETOWN - EARLY INDIAN FARMERS	2017 MUL-CHU-THA PARADE	Indigenous Focus Butterfly / We All Related Dabiyiyuu The Feast Master	
5:30pm	Native Shorts Goodnight Irene		Treading Water				Johnny Be Good	
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7:00pm	Native Shorts Red Buffalo Skydive	Wapos Bay All Access	Wapos Bay As Long As The River Flows	Wapos Bay Tricks and Treats	Wapos Bay The Hunt	Wapos Bay A Mother's Earth	Hit The Ice This Is Your Team	
7:30pm	Native Shorts Stones	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	
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9:00pm	2017 DEQ EARTH DAY	Every Emotion Costs Abandoned by their mother sixteen years ago and haven't returned home for over seven years.	Impact of the Frolic	Goshen The lifestyle of the indigenous Tarahumara,, who are striving to maintain their ancient culture against all odds.	The Ball The ball has been kicked around the globe by many different cultures.	Tribal member graduates are recognized for their efforts.	Trail of Tears The events leading up to, life and death on the Trail of Tears (1838 and 1839), where between 4, 000 and 8,000 Cherokee died.	
9:30pm	Trudell The philosophy and motivations behind his work and relationship to Indian history.		Stories of the River Stories of the People					
10:00pm			The Beginning of the End		2016 WATER RIGHTS @ RAWHIDE	2017 IWO JIMA PARADE		
10:30pm	Cousins Across The Sea In depth investigation into legends, hidden histories and scientific evidence.	The Price of Peace Sent to prison for weapon offences, Tame's legal case is mired in a legacy of colonial animosity.	Cree Spoken Here English and French once dominated school life, kids are now taught Cree.	Torn	Past leadership share their stories and speak of endeavors regarding their part in the fight for Water Rights.	Current and past veterans come together for this special occasion.		
11:00pm			A Man Called Ishi	The Process The desperation of a secret Jihadist base in S. Gaza means that violence is met with violence.			Why Treaties Focuses on the 1863 "Old Crossing Treaty" in which the Chippewa ceded 11 million acres to the US.	
11:30pm	Merging Destinies An Understanding of Culture							

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# A'AGA

Something to be told or talked about



By Billy Allen

Summers on our jeved or land have always been hot, but like the Energizer Bunny, O'otham and Piipaash kept on going. Anna Moore Shaw was born at Gila Crossing in 1898 and in her book, "A Pima Past," she begins three generations prior and writes of how O'otham and Piipaash dealt with cultural change. Today's pace is much more accelerated, and at times it may seem like we have lost touch with our roots. But have we?

In the past, before sunrise children were told to wake up, gather tools, and go to the fields or go hunting to make this one of the best days of their lives. Even if there was no actual "work" to do, communities had competitions such as running and toka to keep

people active. These activities promoted leadership, cohesiveness, and communal pride. In a way, it was practice for survival in perilous times. Our people had to be able to move quickly because of enemy attacks. As peace came about in the 1880s, new "games" became part of our himdag or culture.

Being a "keli-in-training," my childhood memories spring from the 1950's and I remember communal celebrations and competitive games. Sacaton hosted a rodeo on Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day. Bapchule, Gila Crossing, Sacaton, and Upper Santan had summer feast days with baseball also on the menu. Community baseball/softball managers scheduled home and away baseball games with neighboring villages and area reservations like Ak-Chin, Tohono O'odham, and San Carlos. Add the Great Southwest Baseball and Softball Tournament at Salt River, and that was an active summer.

It was nice of the Huhugam Heritage Center personnel to let me view early copies of the Gila River Indian News. Front page

news of the August 1964 edition was the upcoming two-day Labor Day rodeo in Sacaton. The rodeo was headed up by Charlie Marrietta, assisted by Floyd Gomez, Al Jarvis, and Dell Morago. Stock was provided by Mitch Maddock and George "Papago" Mason. The sports page had a blurb submitted by Harry Williams, Jr. who reported that the Komatke Cardinals completed regular season play in a Maricopa County League and earned a berth to the championship game. Myrna Soke pitched a no-hitter, third basewoman Carol Thomas and short-stop Delilah Enos were solid on the left side of the diamond, but errors cost the Cardinals, losing to Peoria.

Next up on the Indian League schedule was the Salt River Indian tournament. To maintain their competitive edge, a double-header was scheduled against the Thunderbirds and Cobras. These games were to be played on the Komatke Hawk's home field in Gila Crossing.

Edison Allison took a fourteen member

women's GRIC toka team to Sells for a tournament on July 18. (Two other individuals were listed as "watchdogs": their job was to keep an eye on team property.) Apparently the tournament was part of Tohono O'odham pageant festivities. No scores were listed, but the team "returned boasting of multiple bruises." Toka is a contact sport, not for the faint of heart. Team members enjoyed the hospitality of our hajuñ or cousins. A bar-b-que lunch was served and Miss Mary Grace Lucas, reigning Miss Indian Arizona, served as hostess for dinner. Julia

Nasewytewa submitted the article.

The GRIC Little Leaguers were also on the vohg or road. The Sacaton All Stars and Blackwater teams entered a tournament at San Carlos. The two day tournament, which started on August 15th, had teams from Peridot, Bylas, Ft. McDowell, San Carlos and Salt River. No surprise, the Sacaton All Stars won the tournament. Our community was well represented for All Tourney selections. Rodney Lyons, Davey Halbison, Danny Antone, Franklin D. Whitman and Leander Whitman made the

first team list. Larry Mackett was chosen tournament MVP. Mr. Dave Halbison of Sacaton was selected All Tourney Manager. A few of these boys and girls of summers past are still part of our community's heart. Thanks to all the GRICsters who have or currently served as coaches and mentors in assisting our youth. Sports have kept our himdag strong. Much like the Hohokam, we suffered the heat and losses but cherished the wins.

The staff of the Gila River Indian News and Mr. Jewel Whitman were also helpful.

## BLACKWATER BIRDSINGING CLASS

**WHEN:**

August 11<sup>th</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> and September 8<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup>

**Where:**

District 1 Service Center @ Aerobics Room

**Time:**

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# Tribe visits L.A. members from Page 1



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Enrollment/Census staff assist members with services.

acre-foot allocation of CAP water and how the Community created long-term storage credits to be sold or used in later years.

Gov. Lewis thanked the GRIC members who attended the meeting and UAII for hosting the tribal leaders and departments.

The updates on tribal issues came at a very important time for the members in L.A. "We're all united," Lt. Gov. Antone told the group.

Omerlene Thompson, Cheryl Jackson and others of UAII have welcomed GRIC for the past years and look forward to future

events. Thompson, District 6, who's been in L.A. for over 50 years and is a long time employee of UAII, said that she welcomes tribal leaders to visit and that the meeting on July 29 brought back strong feelings for GRIC. "It really makes me feel like back home," she said.

Cheryl Jackson, District 3, who's been in Long Beach for over 20 years and who also works for UAII, said the past meetings with tribal leaders, "helps us to stay informed and connected with GRIC

Elizabeth Means, District 4 Community member,



Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

Rodney Lewis discusses the water settlement.



Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

Several Community members attended the event which brought GRIC representation to the UAII center.



Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

Tribal members interface with GRIC departments at the urban member meeting in Los Angeles.

has been in California herself for over 30 years and said that the local Native population has been very supportive. "If I hadn't got involved with the Native community, I don't know where I'd be," she said. Means has hosted four meet and greet meetings with the L.A. GRIC urban members and have plans

for future projects. Meet and greet meetings allows GRIC members to get acquainted.

In 2016, Jackson, Thompson and other UAII employees including CEO Jeremy Billy made a trip to Arizona.

Billy, who was encouraged to see so many representatives from GRIC visit



Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

GRIC members have been meeting for the past four months preparing for the visit.

California, said the July 29 meeting was one of the largest turnouts he's seen. "It shows that the tribe does care about the tribal members," he said.

UAII, Inc. is a non-profit organization that services the Native population in Los Angeles County. They provide health care services, mental health services, treatment, social ser-

vices, education programs, and programs for elders and youth.

The visits for GRIC members to California will continue in the fall. The L.A. members will be hosting the elders from District 6 in September for the UAII American Indian Day 16th Annual Community Gathering and Family Picnic at Griffith Park.

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# GRIC-Urban Members Association celebrates 18th Anniversary in Phoenix

**Thomas R. Throssell**  
Gila River Indian News

The Gila River Indian Community Urban Members Association (GRIC-UMA) held its 18th Anniversary celebration at their headquarters in Phoenix, Ariz., on the morning of July 29.

The celebration was attended by over 100 Community members and a host of special guests and presenters, including: GRIC-UMA founding member Bernice Nelson, the Gila River Basket Dancers, District 5 Representative Robert Stone, District 1 Representative Joey Whitman, GRIC Community Manager Pamela Thompson, staff from GRIC's Land Use Planning and Zoning Department including Director Dr. Kimberly Antone, and GRIC Department of Education Assistant Culture Coordinator Tammy Histia.

Non-profit organization, Three Precious Miracles, was also at the event, handing out 100 backpacks, 100 pairs of shoes, and 100 hygiene and dental kits. Anthony Newkirk, GRIC-UMA Chairman said, "They did that for us last year and it was a big suc-

cess, because a lot of kids have already started school or are starting school this week."

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, who was out town attending a GRIC Los Angeles Urban Members meeting in California, had a special video message presented at the event.

Keynote speaker Waylon Pahona, who runs the Healthy Active Natives Facebook page, talked about the resilience and perseverance of Native peoples. He spoke about his past struggle with weight and how many other Natives in Indian Country are struggling with similar issues.

"There were a lot of tears and hugs," said Newkirk. "People went up to him after his speech and told him that they needed to hear [his] message and it was inspirational."

**What is GRIC-UMA?**

GRIC-UMA provides services to urban tribal members, including free bus passes, assistance with utility bill payments, monthly elder breakfasts, and transportation to various Community events.

Newkirk said while providing services to urban members is a main focus

of the association, they are also working on changing Gila River's constitution, which currently states that any Community member who lives outside of the reservation for 20 years is automatically un-enrolled from the tribe.

"We really want to get that out of our constitution so that is something that we are going to be working with Council to get out of there," he said.

In addition to changing the Community's constitution, GRIC-UMA is dedicated to getting urban members more active in Community issues. To do this, they are getting urban members registered to vote so they can participate in how the Community forms its policies.

"We want more active urban members voting on constitutional issues, on members of council, those are the things we are focusing on," he said.

If you are interested in joining GRIC-UMA or learning more about the association, visit [www.gilariveruma.org](http://www.gilariveruma.org), check out their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/GRIC-UMA](http://www.facebook.com/GRIC-UMA), email [gilariveruma@gmail.com](mailto:gilariveruma@gmail.com), or call (602) 244-9927.



Photo courtesy of GRIC-UMA


The non-profit organization Three Precious Miracles donated backpacks, shoes, and hygiene and dental kits during GRIC-UMA's 18th Anniversary on July 29.



Photo courtesy of GRIC-UMA

Over 100 Gila River Indian Community urban members traveled to GRIC-UMA's headquarters in Phoenix to take part in the celebration.

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# August 31, 2017

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# GRICUA hosts inaugural STEA<sup>3</sup>M Summer Program



Photo courtesy of GRICUA



Thomas R. Throssell/GRIN

**Eighteen Gila River Indian Community 5-8 graders learned about science, technology, agriculture and more at GRICUA's inaugural STEA<sup>3</sup>M Summer Program.**

**STEA<sup>3</sup>M Summer program students pose with GRICUA Board Chairman, John Lewis, on the first day of the camp.**

**Thomas R. Throssell**  
Gila River Indian News

Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority held its inaugural week-long STEA<sup>3</sup>M Summer Program that featured a long list of notable presenters including Intel, Adobe, Sandia National Laboratories, and more.

Eighteen 5 – 8 graders participated in the camp, which was held to expose the Community's youth to different careers in science-based fields including technology, engineering, and agriculture.

John Lewis, GRICUA Board Chairman said the purpose for focusing on 5 – 8 graders is because it is an ideal time to inspire them to move toward certain career paths.

“We realized, by the time we are talking to kids and giving them industry exposure by high school and college age, they are already on a certain trajectory (in) life,” said Lewis. “(These campers) are the kids who are going to go into these technical disciplines, who want to go to college and study business, economics, science and math.”

The camp's name, STEA<sup>3</sup>M, is derived from the original meaning of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, but with the addition of arts, architecture, and agriculture.

The presenters who participated in the summer program were: Intel, the Arizona Science Center, Kitchell, Adobe, Arizona State University Quantum

Energy and Sustainable Solar Technologies, ASU Construction in Indian Country, GECO Drones, Sandia National Laboratories, GRIC DEQ, Councilman Robert Stone, and Yolanda Hart-Stevens.

Lewis said GRICUA was able to utilize its partnerships with existing industries and companies to come out and present at their STEA<sup>3</sup>M Summer Program, which day-to-day, focused on different areas of the sciences.

During the first day of the program, students were given an overview of what STEA<sup>3</sup>M was all about. To do this the students spent a whole day at the Arizona Science Center.

The following day was geared toward natural resources, water, wetland

ecology, farming, and agriculture. The third day of the program focused on engineering where students were able to spend time at ASU.

On the fourth day, students learned about technology with GECO Drones and Adobe each putting on their own presentations. Sandia National Laboratories presented to the students on the last day of the summer program.



Thomas R. Throssell/GRIN

**Students answer questions about their thoughts on science and talk about future careers.**

While the week was a busy one for the students, they were able to kick back and let off a bit of steam on the afternoon of the final day of the program with a trip to Main Event Enter-

tainment, where they were treated to games and pizza.

If you are interested in learning more about next year's STEA<sup>3</sup>M Summer Program, call GRICUA at (520) 796-0600.

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# Catching up with GRIC Graduates

**Christopher Lomahquahu**  
Gila River Indian News

*As part of our series following up with college graduates a year after graduation, we take a look at one Community member, who is digging her way to success.*

Raquel Romero, who is an Archaeological Technician with the Cultural Resource Management program, is unearthing the ancient past of the Community.

Last May, Romero received a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology from Arizona State University. Like a history detective, she is using her education and experience to piece together the history of the Huhugam.

While working out at one site in District Four Upper SanTan, Romero and the rest of the excavation crew work the soil under the rising summer sun.

"I always liked to be outdoors and I like history, so that's why I got involved with [this]," said Romero, watching a backhoe remove layer upon layer of soil from the ground in front of her.

Romero comes from a diverse background of Akimel O'otham, Filipino and San Carlos Apache, which has added to her interest in learning more about each culture.

She said, "I didn't grow up out here, so working here has been a great opportunity, because I got to know the people and more about the culture and about the history."

After the backhoe finished digging a trench, Romero and her fellow workers start the meticulous task of uncovering the layers of history that lie beneath the surface.

Each time Romero goes out into the field with her crew there is a sense of excitement she explains happens when they uncover pieces of the Community's ancient history.

"As a crew member with the Cultural Resource Management program, on a daily basis I go out and excavate with a crew of maybe five different people," she said, "More often than not, [we] find artifacts, whether it be old homes or canals and pottery...sometimes we will find human remains, which are handled

as respectfully as possible and are buried elsewhere, not to be disturbed again."

Many of the artifacts that are found are recorded and collected and are cleaned back at the CRM facilities where they are handed over to the Huhugam Heritage Center for storage.

"It's interesting when we find houses, just to see the outline and imagine how the people lived and to see the fire pits where they would have cooked, it's pretty fascinating," said Romero.

The traces of pottery left by the Huhugam, that are uncovered date back hundreds of years and show distinctive patterns of the period of ancient history it was made in.

Her interest in ancient American Indian history was also driven by her curiosity to learn outside of what was taught to her in high school.

"When I went from high school to college and started learning about American Indian history... just the difference of what [they] taught us in high school and learning the real side of it in college inspired me to learn about the pre-history...that's where everything started," she said.

What makes Romero's job unique is not only the ability to discover new things each day, but what she is capable of doing beyond the present.

In the fall, Romero will be attending Northern Arizona University to start her graduate program to work towards a Master's Degree in Archaeology.

Although Romero has her sights set on a graduate school, she's still figuring out her future and what that will entail.

She said that there is still some exploring to do, but that she would like to work for the Community in the same capacity, but in a supervisory role.

"I always planned on going for my masters, but I didn't know how soon I wanted to do it and when I got here I learned, I realized I could do more with my education," said Romero, "When I got into the field I wanted to contribute more, so I thought I better go back to school and work towards that next degree."



Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN  
Cultural Resource Management Archaeological Technician Raquel Romero skims away layers of soil for artifacts and possible living spaces of the Huhugam on July 27.



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### NOTICE OF CASA BLANCA COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2017

Parents & Guardians:



The Casa Blanca Community School is pleased to announce that it will be holding an election on Thursday, September 14, 2017 to fill two (2) seat on its Board of Trustees. The polling station will held at Casa Blanca Community School. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

CBCS's Board meets at least once (sometimes twice) per month and attend periodic work sessions (usually held over a two day period on the weekend); attend various out-of-state trainings and conferences; have reliable transportation; be available to reach by phone; and be available to meet when given short notice.

If you are interested in running in the election, you **must** meet the following member qualifications:

- ❖ Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age as of September 14, 2017 (the date of election);
- ❖ Be a Community member;
- ❖ Reside in District 3, 4, or 5 and have lived in the District in which you are running for at least one year prior to September 14, 2017;
- ❖ Have a high school diploma, or GED;
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To obtain a petition to get on the ballot, please contact Ms. Flo Long at CBCS, (520) 315-3489.

**Petitions must be returned to Casa Blanca Community School no later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 7, 2017.**

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Any questions regarding the election should be directed to Ms. Flo Long at the above number.



# Gila River Veteran's Conference sets sights on building connections

**GRIN Staff**  
Gila River Indian News

A conference aimed at making connections with Gila River Indian Community Veterans will be hosted at the Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass on September 9, 2017.

Under the theme, "A Day of Celebration & Remembrance," the Gila River Veteran's Conference will focus on bringing awareness to the issues that impact the Community's Veterans and provide local services that can supply information on housing, education, post traumatic stress disorder and other topics.

This conference will enable resources and local programs to connect with Veterans.

There will also be a resource room with several information booths on employment, legal services, housing and education that will be able to meet with veterans on a one-to-one basis.

A banquet will be held during the evening of the conference to honor the Veterans that have come out to the conference. The banquet is provided to show appreciation for their service to their country.

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**1-866-721-6983**

OPEN HANDS OUTREACH PROGRAM

THE DIAMONDBACKS

ARIZONA  
HUMAN RESOURCES

**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY**  
Your Partner For A Stronger Arizona

**Direct Support Professional**  
\$11.44 hourly

**Driving Requirement:** In-state travel is required. An acceptable driving record for the last 39 months is required including no DUI, suspensions or revocations and less than 8 points on your license. A copy of your MVR (Motor Vehicle Record) is required at the time of your interview, if an **Out of State Driver License was held within the last 39 months**. Employees who drive on state business must complete any required driver training (see Arizona Administrative Code R2-10-207.12.). Employees may be required to use their own transportation as well as maintaining valid motor vehicle insurance and current Arizona vehicle registration; however, mileage will be reimbursed.

The Arizona Department of Economic Security is looking for caring individuals who want to provide programs and specialized services to persons with Developmentally Disabilities, autism, cerebral palsy or epilepsy. The majority of services are designed to meet personal needs in group home and community-based settings. This position performs a variety of assignments resulting in varied activities; participates in interdisciplinary team meetings to develop and implement clients' individual program plans; works with persons with developmental disabilities to train them in applicable daily living skills, to modify behavior, encourage development and provide therapeutic mobility; will assist the nursing staff in providing basic health care.

Employees will be trained on how to provide daily living skills to clients. While it is helpful to have some of the following Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (KSAs), it is not required.

**Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (KSAs):** KNOWLEDGE of: theories of teaching daily living or vocational career skills; basic principles of normalization; Individual Program Plans and the application; clients' basic rights; para-professional nursing, occupational and physical therapy techniques. SKILL in: techniques of program training involving number of clients; planning activities designed to meet specific needs of individual clients; techniques of behavior modification; maintaining therapy equipment; providing basic nursing care; ABILITY to: understand and teach daily living skills, to act compassionately and caring while maintaining client rights; attend staff training and apply the basic principles of program training and data collection designed to meet the specific needs of clients.

**Special Selection Factors:** These items must be met in order to qualify and be referred:

- Must be 18 years of age to apply.
- Must meet the Driving Requirement noted above.
- Employment is contingent upon completion of a post-offer medical/physical examination and the agency's ability to reasonably accommodate any restrictions.

Candidates shall be subject to a search of the Child Protective Services Central Registry. Candidates will be required to apply for and show proof of receipt of a valid Arizona fingerprint Clearance Card that meets DES requirements for a Level One card. **The Department pays for the Clearance Card of new employees.**

Go to [www.azstatejobs.gov](http://www.azstatejobs.gov) to apply. Click the Search for Jobs button. Under Agency field, click down arrow, find and select Department of Economic Security. Click the Search Button. Find and Click on Direct Care Provider job title and apply.

In the **Phoenix area**, you may also apply in person at 4000 N. Central Ave., Suite 900, Phoenix.

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter or an alternative format by contacting Human Resources Administration at (602) 771-2870. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation. AZ State Gov't is an EOE/ADA Reasonable Accommodation Employer.

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# New Tribal Recreation and Wellness Programs emphasizes wellness lifestyles

**Mikhail Sundust**  
Gila River Indian News

The Gila River Tribal Recreation and Wellness Program would like to notify Community members of a number of upcoming classes. Tribal Recreation has developed a variety of classes for people of all ages, including adults, elders, and youth.

The program is putting an emphasis on wellness lifestyle within the Community to aid in the prevention of diabetes. The program is sending out an open invitation for Community members to attend any class at any district. Everyone is welcome.

Here is a list of classes Tribal Recreation is offering:

**Water Aerobics with Denise James** – This class is offered in District 6 on Tuesdays from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. and in District 1 on Wednesdays from 10 – 11 a.m. No swimming experience is required, but be sure to bring proper swimwear. Water aerobics is done in waist to chest-deep water, so it is a fun, low-impact way to work out that's easy on the joints.

**Traditional Dance with Yolanda Elias** – This class will be held at the District 5 Elderly Center at 1 p.m. on Mondays until Sept. 29.

**Morning Grind with Raychell** – Held every Tuesday and Thursday at the Sacaton Wellness

Center at 6:15 a.m. Wake up with a heart-pumping, calorie-burning workout and feel rejuvenated all day.

**Incycl with Brandon** – Similar to “spinning” classes, participants can burn up to 1,000 calories with Incycl. This class will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:45 – 6:45 p.m. Riders must be 16-years or older to participate.


**Circuit Training with Ryan** – This class is also on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:45 – 6:45 p.m. but it's at the District 5 Multipurpose Building. Bring a friend and some water.

**Adult Yoga with Denise James** - Yoga will be held in District 2 on Mondays from 6 – 7 p.m. and in District 4 on Tuesdays from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Mats will be provided, but bring a sweat towel and water.

**Hard Core, Rock Bottom!** – Will be at the District 2 Multipurpose Building through Sept. 29, classes offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 – 7 p.m.

**Lunchtime Workout** – The Sacaton Wellness Center offers 30-minute classes weekdays at 11 a.m., 11:45 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.

The Wellness Center is open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday – Thursday, and 6 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Fridays, closed weekends. For information, call (520) 562-2026.




## CIRCUIT TRAINING



w/ Ryan

### District Five Tuesday/Thursday 5:45pm-6:45pm

Bring a friend!




Bring your own water!

For more information call (520) 562-2026

If you have any questions or concerns please call the Wellness Center @ 520-562-2026  
\*Class schedules and times are subject to change\*



## August 2017

Wellness Center Calendar

Monday Lunas	Tuesday Gok Thash	Wednesday Vaik Thash	Thursday Girik Thash	Friday Shavai
<p style="font-size: x-small; margin: 0;"><b>Wellness Center Hours:</b> Monday – Thursday: 6:00 am – 8:00 pm  Friday: 6:00 am – 5:00 pm</p>	<p>1 <b>Morning Grind W/Raychell</b> 6:15 to 7:15 am</p> <p>Lunch time workout W/ Sylvester 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Incycl Spin Class W/Brandon</b> 5:45-6:45 pm</p> <p><b>Co-Ed Volleyball from</b> 7 pm to 8 pm</p>	<p>2 Lunch time workout W/ Brandon 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Open Gym from</b> 7pm to 8pm</p>	<p>3 <b>Morning Grind W/Raychell</b> 6:15 to 7:15 am</p> <p>Lunch time workout W/ Sylvester 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Closing early @ 3:00 pm due to the Annual Youth Sports Banquet</b></p>	<p>4 Lunch time workout W/Raychell 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30 pm</p>
<p>7 Lunch time workout W/ Brandon 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Open Gym from</b> 7pm to 8pm</p>	<p>8 <b>Morning Grind W/Raychell</b> 6:15 to 7:15 am</p> <p>Lunch time workout W/ Sylvester 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Incycl Spin Class W/Brandon</b> 5:45-6:45 pm</p> <p><b>Co-Ed Volleyball from</b> 7 pm to 8 pm</p>	<p>9 Lunch time workout W/ Brandon 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Open Gym from</b> 7pm to 8pm</p>	<p>10 <b>Morning Grind W/Raychell</b> 6:15 to 7:15 am</p> <p>Lunch time workout W/ Sylvester 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Incycl Spin Class W/Brandon</b> 5:45-6:45 pm</p> <p><b>Co-Ed Volleyball from</b> 7 pm to 8 pm</p>	<p>11 Lunch time workout W/Raychell 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30 pm</p>
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<p>21 Lunch time workout W/ Brandon 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Open Gym from</b> 7pm to 8pm</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">No classes due to a mandatory training session</p>		<p>24 <b>Morning Grind W/Raychell</b> 6:15 to 7:15 am</p> <p>Lunch time workout W/ Sylvester 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Incycl Spin Class W/Brandon</b> 5:45-6:45 pm</p> <p><b>Co-Ed Volleyball from</b> 7 pm to 8 pm</p>	<p>25 Lunch time workout W/Raychell 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30 pm</p>
<p>28 Lunch time workout W/ Brandon 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Open Gym from</b> 7pm to 8pm</p>	<p>29 <b>Morning Grind W/Raychell</b> 6:15 to 7:15 am</p> <p>Lunch time workout W/ Sylvester 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Incycl Spin Class W/Brandon</b> 5:45-6:45 pm</p> <p><b>Co-Ed Volleyball from</b> 7 pm to 8 pm</p>	<p>30 Lunch time workout W/ Brandon 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Open Gym from</b> 7pm to 8pm</p>	<p>31 <b>Morning Grind W/Raychell</b> 6:15 to 7:15 am</p> <p>Lunch time workout W/ Sylvester 11:00 am, 11:45am, 12:30pm</p> <p><b>Incycl Spin Class W/Brandon</b> 5:45-6:45 pm</p> <p><b>Co-Ed Volleyball from</b> 7 pm to 8 pm</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; color: red; text-align: center;">Lunch Time workouts are approx. 30 minutes</p>

WELLNESS IN YOUR DISTRICT

Starting July 3<sup>rd</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>

**District 2**  
Every Monday  
Adult Yoga 6:00pm – 7:00 pm

Every Tuesday & Thursday  
Hardcore Rock Bottom 6:00pm – 7:00 pm

**District 4**  
Every Tuesday  
Adult Yoga 6:30pm – 7:30 pm

**District 5**  
Every Tuesday & Thursday  
General Fitness 5:45 pm – 6:45 pm


Green Diabetic Smoothie


This recipe includes some diabetic “superfoods” and no added sugar to help with glucose control

Ingredients:


- 1/2 cup unsweetened almond milk
  - Try freezing the 1/2 cup of almond milk the night before in ice cube trays to make the smoothie cold and refreshing for the summer
- 1 small orange, peeled but with much of the pith left (pith is high in fiber)
- 1 cup spinach, baby kale, or a mix of the two
- 1/2 cup frozen berries (blueberries, strawberries, raspberries, etc)
- 1/2 cup Greek yogurt (Greek yogurt is high in protein)

\*Blend the ingredients until you get the consistency you like





## Gila River Department of Community Housing Urban Rental Assistance Program



**Up to \$300 per month rental subsidy for qualified applicants**

The Department of Community Housing (DCH) has identified a need to assist low-income Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) members who reside off Reservation on the Pinal & Maricopa County areas.

The number of rental units currently available in the Community is insufficient to meet the current demand for housing, rental or homeownership. To address the need for rental assistance, DCH has established the Urban Rental Assistance Program for families who are in a contract unit (meaning an apartment complex) or renting a house (including townhouses, duplexes and condominiums).

**To qualify:**

- ◆ Be at least 18 years old on the date the application is submitted.
- ◆ Must reside in Pinal or Maricopa County, portions that are not part of GRIC.
- ◆ Applicants name **must appear on the lease agreement as the primary head of household.** Co-Signed leases are not eligible for assistance.
- ◆ Applicant **must pass a background check.**
- ◆ Applicants currently under any **Section 8 Program or any other Federally Funded Program are ineligible.** This includes room and board received for education purposes.
- ◆ Must meet 80% of the median gross family income requirement. (per HUD Yearly AMI Chart)
- ◆ Rent must not exceed 30% of monthly adjusted household income.
- ◆ Must be in an existing apartment/house lease, current in rent payments and have a good tenant history.
- ◆ **Current GRIC CDIB for head of household and tribal ID for all other members in the household.**
- ◆ Approved and waiting list applicants **must attend a mandatory orientation to be held in September.**

Applications can be picked up beginning **July 24, 2017** at the  
 DCH Main Office—Sacaton, 136 South Main Street, Sacaton, Arizona  
 DCH West End Office—Komatke, 119 Tashquith Drive, Laveen, Arizona  
 ALL District Service Centers or downloaded from [www.mygilariver.com](http://www.mygilariver.com)

**Open: Tuesday, August 1, 2017 Closes: Thursday, August 31, 2017**

**Submit completed applications to:**  
 DCH Main Office Sacaton from 8am-5pm (Monday/Friday)  
 (Closed from 12:00pm-1:00pm)

**ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKETS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

Currently funded URAP participants must reapply to be considered for future funding, funding status does not carryover nor does the waiting list, all lists will terminate September 30, 2017.

For questions or for more information please contact  
 Debra Marrietta or Fera Wapaha at (520) 562-3904  
 E-mail: [debra.marrietta@gric.nsn.us](mailto:debra.marrietta@gric.nsn.us) or [fera.wapaha.dch@gric.nsn.us](mailto:fera.wapaha.dch@gric.nsn.us)

The URAP is not a guaranteed program and is subject to change in accordance with the yearly Indian Housing Plan.



## Gila River Tribal Rec & Wellness Presents:





# Trail of Doom

## SAVE THE DATE


### JOIN US FOR A HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION

# OCTOBER 25, 2017

**FRIGHT WALK - GAMES - COSTUMES - HAUNTED HOUSE**

**Gila River Wellness Center and Parking Lot**

For more information call (520) 562-2026



# Traditional DANCIE


*with Yolanda Elias*

July 3rd to September 29th

D5 Elderly Center

**MONDAYS**

**1:00pm**



For more information call (520) 562-2026



## BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE EAST VALLEY Gila River Branch – Sacaton

# AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM



for grades K-12

### FREE for members of GRIC!

### Program Starts August 7th

<p><b>Program Hours:</b>                  2:15pm-7:00pm (youth) /                  2:15pm-8:00pm (teens)</p>	<p><b>Early Release Hours:</b>                  1:00pm-6:00pm (youth) /                  1:00pm-7:00pm (teens)</p>
<p><b>Fun Programs that include:</b>                  Homework Help, Sports,                  Fine Arts, Technology,                  PE Activities</p>	<p><b>Office Hours:</b>                  11:00am-7:00pm</p>

**OPEN (8am-5pm) ON MOST NO SCHOOL DAYS & BREAKS!**  
 For more info, contact Amy ([amy.rhodes@clubzona.org](mailto:amy.rhodes@clubzona.org)) / (520) 562-3890

## GREAT FUTURES START HERE.

# COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • July 19, 2017

## ACTION SHEET

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

## CALL TO ORDER

The Second Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday July 19, 2017, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by presiding Chairman Lt. Governor Monica Antone at 9:07 a.m.

## INVOCATION

Provided by Councilman Robert Stone

## ROLL CALL

Sign-In Sheet Circulated

Executive Officers Present:

Lt. Governor Monica Antone

Executive Officers Absent:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Council Members Present:

D1- Joey Whitman, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Rodney Jackson; D4-Nada Celaya, Barney Enos, Jr. (11:08), Pamela Johnson; D5-Janice Stewart, Robert Stone; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr. (9:38), Charles Goldtooth, Terrence Evans;

Council Members Absent:

D3- Carolyn Williams; D4- Jennifer Allison; D5- Marlin Dixon, Franklin Pablo, Sr.; D7- Devin Redbird

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVED AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS (Limit to 5 minutes)

1. Introduction of Cheryl Paul, Sacaton Elementary School District Superintendent

Presenter: Elaine Moyah

MS. ELAINE MOYAH INTRODUCED MS. CHERYL PAUL. MS. PAUL EXPRESSED WORDS OF GRATITUDE AND HER READINESS TO WORK WITHIN THE SCHOOL. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND LT. GOVERNOR EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME.

2. Blackwater Community School Christmas Donation

Presenter: Misty Lopez

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO TABLE

## REPORTS

1. Sacaton Elementary School Quarter 2 Report SY 2016-2017

Presenter: Leslie Rychel

REPORT HEARD

2. Community Technology Center FY2017 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Connie Jackson

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. Pee-Posh Veterans Association 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Arnie Bread Sr.

REPORT HEARD

4. Head Start May / June Monthly Report

Presenters: Isaac Salcido, Jaime James

REPORT HEARD

5. GRICUA FY17 Q2 Report

Presenters: Lenny Gold, Belinda Nelson

REPORT HEARD

[LT. GOVERNOR MONICA ANTONE CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 10:18 A.M.]

6. Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. 1Q 2017 Update Report

Presenters: Bruce Holdridge, Peter Quam, GRTI Board of Directors

REPORT HEARD

7. Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. Notice of Filing-Connect America Fund, Inter Carrier Compensation

Presenters: Bruce Holdridge, GRTI Board of Directors

REPORT HEARD

8. Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. Notice of Filing-Rate Floor Data

Presenters: Bruce Holdridge, GRTI Board of Directors

REPORT HEARD

9. Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. Notice of Filing-Federal Communications Commission Form 481 Data

Presenters: Bruce Holdridge, GRTI Board of Directors

REPORT HEARD

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. Monthly Financial Activity Report Ending 06/30/2017 MOD38 Capital Projects Review & Update 06/30/2017 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Treasurer Robert G. Keller, Suzanne

Johns, Pamela Thompson, Kelly Gomez

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTIONS

\*1. A Resolution Approving An Alternative Funding Arrangement Among The United States Department Of Agricultural, Natural Resources Conservation Services And The Gila River Indian Community, To Fund The Lining Of The Casa Blanca Canal In The Amount Of \$4,500,000.00 (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval; NRSC concurs)

Presenter: Jason Hauter

APPROVED

2. A Resolution Correcting And Affirming Resolution GR-66-17 Which Authorized The Purchase Of Allotted Trust Land Within the Exterior Boundaries Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (Allotment 2172) (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval; NRSC concurs)

Presenter: Kimberly Antone

APPROVED

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

Presenter: Neomi Martinez

APPROVED

4. A Resolution Approving The Amendments Of

The Current Gila River Indian Community Voter Registration Board Bylaws (LSC motioned to forward to Council with a recommendation for approval, with the change of Article 5 Section 3)

Presenters: Zuzette Kisto, Office of General Counsel

APPROVED

5. A Resolution Approving the Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community Tribal Education Department and Coolidge Unified School District #21 (ESC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Isaac Salcido

APPROVED

ORDINANCES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

\*1. Non-Commercial Water Usage (G&MSC motioned to forward to the Community Council as a New Business item with recommendations)

Presenters: Kelly Gomez, Ross Schroeder

MOTION MADE AND SECOND THAT ALL CHURCHES, PARSONAGES, CONVENTS AND FRIARIES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY BE EXEMPTED FROM PRESENT AND FUTURE WATER AND SEWER BILLING

2. Honeywell Scholarship Proposal (G&MSC forwards to ESC with recommendation for approval;

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## RECRUITMENT for 2017 Reserve Firefighter Apprentice Partnership with E&T Dept.

**\*\*APPLICATIONS due by October 31st, 2017. \*\***

Service, Teamwork, Dedication, A Concern For Others - these words all describe qualities found in the Gila River Fire Department Reserve Firefighter-Apprentice Program. The Reserve Firefighter Apprentice is a part-time position, working an average of 64 hours a month. This is a temporary trainee classification designed to give participants first-hand experience and exposure to regular firefighting duties and responsibilities. Initially under the immediate supervision of a Fire Coordinator, the Reserve Firefighter Apprentice will train for approximately 52 weeks.

### EACH CANDIDATE WILL BE REQUIRED TO GO THROUGH A SELECTION PROCESS ADMINISTERED BY GRFD and E&T DEPT:

- Complete Intake & Enrollment with E&T Department - WIOA programs
- Successful completion of a physical agility test administered by GRFD personnel.
- Successful completion of an oral board examination administered by E&T and GRFD.

### SEEKING GRIC CANDIDATES THAT MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- Must have a high school diploma or the G.E.D. equivalent.
- Must be 17 years and 9 months of age prior to testing.
- Must have reliable transportation in order to report for training
- Must be able to pass a medical-physical exam by a physician
- Must be a GRIC- Community Member
- Abide by strict Attendance and Punctuality policies and procedures
- Must be able to pass background check

### EACH APPRENTICE WILL EARN THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATIONS:

1. Firefighter I & II (AZ State Certification)
2. State of Arizona Emergency Medical Technician
3. National Registry of Emergency Medical Technician- EMT
4. PRO CPR certification
5. Basic Wildland Firefighting \$130/190 L-180
6. NIMS 100, 200 and 700
7. Certification of Hazards Materials First Responder Operations (FRO) and Awareness (FRA) - (ProBoard Accredited)

**All interested applicants must call the E&T Dept**

**James Tree 520 562-6230**

[james.tree@gric.nsn.us](mailto:james.tree@gric.nsn.us)

Department of Land Use Planning & Zoning

# Upcoming Tribal Lot Inspections

Beginning October 2, 2017

The Department of Land Use Planning & Zoning will conduct Tribal Lot Inspections throughout The Gila River Indian Community

Some items that LUPZ will be looking for:

- Yard Debris
- Non Working Vehicles
- Unapproved 2nd Dwellings
- Number of Livestock
- Substandard Structures
- Abandoned Lots

For questions, please call: 520-562-6003  
291 W. Casa Blanca Rd Executive XI'- Bldg #2  
Post Office Box E Sacaton, AZ 85147



**NOW HIRING**

Casa Blanca Community School is now hiring for the following 2017-2018 School Year positions: Kindergarten Teacher, Math Interventionist, FACE Parent Educator, Traditional Agriculture Instructor, and Facilities Coordinator. Located at 3455 W Casa Blanca Road, Bapchule, AZ 85121. For salary and qualification information, visit [www.cbcschools.com/Employment](http://www.cbcschools.com/Employment) or contact Human Resources at 480.403.8595 ext. 2512.

**COURT NOTICE**

ALBERT FRALEY  
Initial Termination of Parent-Child Relationship Hearing  
Case: J-17-0071/0072/0073  
Court Date: August 21, 2017 at 10

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**\*\*NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT\*\***

LAND USE PERMIT FOR FUTURE SUBSTATION SITE AT PEAR ROAD AND CASA BLANCA ROAD

The Natural Resource Standing Committee ("NRSC") will be considering the Environmental Assessment Form from the Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority ("GRICUA") regarding a Temporary Land Use Permit and a ground lease for an electrical substation on one acre of land at the near Pear Road and Casa Blanca Road at their regular meeting on September 12, 2017 at 9 a.m., located in Conference Room A and B of the Community

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**\*\*NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT\*\***

LAND USE PERMIT FOR GILA RIVER FARMS COTTON GIN SITE

The Natural Resource Standing Committee ("NRSC") will be considering the Environmental Assessment Form from the Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority ("GRICUA") regarding a Land Use Permit for storage of wood and steel poles and other equipment on four acres of land at the Gila River Farms Cotton Gin site at their regular meeting on September 12, 2017 at 9 a.m., located in Conference Room A and B of the Community Council Secretary's Office. A copy of the Environ-

a.m., Courtroom #2, 1st floor  
FAILURE TO APPEAR CAN AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS  
Location: Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court  
Address: 10005 East Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256

BRITNY JOHNSON  
Initial Termination of Parent-Child Relationship Hearing  
Case: J-17-0071/0072/0073  
Court Date: August 21, 2017 at 10 a.m., Courtroom #2, 1st floor  
FAILURE TO APPEAR CAN AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS  
Location: Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court  
Address: 10005 East Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256

Council Secretary's Office. A copy of the Environmental Assessment Form its entirety is available for review at all District Service Centers and the Community Council Secretary's Office.

If you are interested in providing comments to the Environmental Assessment Form, please attend the scheduled NRSC meeting. You may also contact your Council representative or the NRSC Chairperson at (520) 562-9720. Written comments may be emailed to Casaundra Wallace at [casaundra.wallace@gric.nsn.us](mailto:casaundra.wallace@gric.nsn.us) or mailed to Office of the General Counsel, P.O.Box 97, Sacaton, AZ 85147, Attn: Casaundra Wallace.

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**\*\*NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION\*\***

PROPOSED REVISION TO TITLE 21 OF THE GRIC CODE  
ADOPTING 2012 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE

The Legislative Standing Committee ("LSC") will be considering the proposed revision of Title 21 of the GRIC Code adopting the 2012 International Fire Code at their regular meeting on September 12, 2017 at 1 p.m. located in Conference Room A and B of the Community Council Secretary's Office. A copy of the proposed revision in its entirety is available for review at all District Service Centers and the Community Council Secretary's Office. If you are interested in providing com-

ments on the proposed revision of Title 21 of the GRIC Code adopting the 2012 International Fire Code, please attend the scheduled LSC meeting. You may also contact your Council representative or the LSC Chairperson at (520) 562-9720. Written comments may be emailed to Casaundra Wallace at [casaundra.wallace@gric.nsn.us](mailto:casaundra.wallace@gric.nsn.us) or mailed to Office of the General Counsel, P.O. Box 97, Sacaton, AZ 85147, Attn: Casaundra Wallace.

TITLE 21  
FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
Chapter 1. Gila River Fire Department  
21.101. Gila River Fire Department Established.  
21.102. Fire Chief.  
21.103. Deputies.

21.104. Sovereign Immunity.  
21.105. Liability.  
21.106. Constitutionality.  
Chapter 2. Fire Code  
21.201. International Fire Code Adopted.  
21.202. Revisions to International Fire Code.  
Chapter 3. Fire Code Appeals  
21.301. Appeal of Official Action.  
21.302. Informal Appeal.  
21.303. Expedited Appeal.  
21.304. Administrative Appeal.  
Chapter 4. Miscellaneous Provisions  
21.401. International Fire Code Updates.

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

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PROPOSED REVISION TO TITLE 19 OF THE GRIC CODE

ADOPTING 2012 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODES

The Legislative Standing Committee ("LSC") will be considering the proposed revision of Title 19 of the GRIC Code adopting the 2012 Editions of the International Building Code, the International Mechanical Code, the International Plumbing Code, the International Residential Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, the International Property Maintenance Code, and the 2011 Edition of the National Electrical Code at their regular meeting on September 12, 2017 at 1 p.m. located in Conference Room A and B of the Community Council Secretary's Office. A copy of the proposed revision of Title 19 of the GRIC Code in its entirety is available for review at all District Service Centers and the Community Council Secretary's Office.

If you are interested in providing comments on the proposed revision of Ti-

tle 19 of the GRIC Code, please attend the scheduled LSC meeting. You may also contact your Council representative or the LSC Chairperson at (520) 562-9720. Written comments may be emailed to Casaundra Wallace at [casaundra.wallace@gric.nsn.us](mailto:casaundra.wallace@gric.nsn.us) or mailed to Office of the General Counsel, P.O. Box 97, Sacaton, AZ 85147, Attn: Casaundra Wallace.

TITLE 19  
HOUSING & BUILDING  
Chapter 4. Building Safety Division  
19.401. Building Safety Division.  
19.402. Chief Building Inspector.  
19.403. Deputies.  
Chapter 5. Building Code  
19.501. International Building Code Adopted.  
19.502. Revisions to International Building Code.  
Chapter 6. Mechanical Code  
19.601. International Mechanical Code Adopted.  
19.602. Revisions to International Mechanical Code.  
Chapter 7. Plumbing Code  
19.701. International Plumbing Code

Adopted.  
19.702. Revisions to International Plumbing Code.  
Chapter 8. Electrical Code  
19.801. National Electrical Code Adopted.  
19.802. Revisions to National Electrical Code.  
Chapter 9. Residential Code  
19.901. International Residential Code Adopted.  
19.902. Revisions to International Residential Code.  
Chapter 10. Fuel Gas Code  
19.1001. International Fuel Gas Code Adopted.  
19.1002. Revisions to International Fuel Gas Code.  
Chapter 11. Property Maintenance Code  
19.1101. International Property Maintenance Code Adopted.  
19.1102. Revisions to International Property Maintenance Code.

**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 renewal for the following facility:  
Facility Name: Superlite Block  
Facility Address: 6741 W. Germann Rd. Chandler, AZ 85226  
Owner Name: Superlite Block  
Owner Address: 4150 W. Turney Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85019  
Air Contaminants Emitted: Nitrogen Oxides (NOx)  
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)  
Carbon Monoxide (CO)  
Sulfur Oxides (SOx)  
Particulate Matter less than 10 microns in diameter (PM10)

Particulate Matter (PM)  
Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)  
Public Notice Start Date: August 4, 2017  
Public Notice End Date: September 4, 2017

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 permit. 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 DEQ website at: <http://www.gricdeq.org/index.php/education-outreach/public-notices>

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.

**Action Sheets**

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ESC to forward to Council with a recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Isaac Salcido

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE  
3. Sacaton Elementary School Written Plan SY 2016 – 2017 Amendment (ESC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Leslie Rychel

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

4. 2018 Needs and Assets Report for Children 0 – 5 Years Old (Executive Session) (ESC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cathy Brown

ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE  
5. Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statement with Supplementary Information as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 (EDSC approves and forwards to Council)

Presenters: Bruce Holdridge, Peter Quam, Charley A. Albert, Curtis Blakely & Company, GRTI Board of Directors

**MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE**

6. Work Session Request With Money Managers (G&MSC motioned to forward the recommended date of August 24, 2017 for the work session at Wild Horse Pass Hotel)

Presenter: Treasurer Robert G. Keller

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO HOLD THE WORK SESSION ON AUGUST 24, 2017

7. 2017 National Indian Education Association Convention October 4th -7th, 2017 Orlando, Florida (ESC forwards to Council to open up to any interested Council members and Community At-Large members using the line item Dues & Delegations)

Presenter: Education Standing Committee  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO OPEN UP TO COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY AT-LARGE MEMBERS

MINUTES  
1. July 5, 2017 (Regular)  
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS

> TRUANCY TRAINING WITH TED & CHILDREN'S COURT JUDGES, JULY 21, 2017, 1PM, SACATON HEAD START

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:40 A.M.

\* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)



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### GRHC TO IMPLEMENT PLAIN LANGUAGE TO REPLACE EMERGENCY CODES

Gila River Health Care is launching the new *Plain Language Emergency Communications Initiative*. The thrust of this initiative is to replace long-standing code words used to announce and describe any GRHC emergency event with words and phrases that are clear and plainly understood. Not only does this initiative increase clarity, but it will also limit protocol error.

When a patient hears an emergency announced while visiting a GRHC facility, he/she will hear simple words and phrases. As an example, instead of hearing the phrase "Code Red" for fire alarms and drills, patients will hear the words describing the facility, the event, and the location.

Our facility is one of the first in the state of Arizona to put these standards in place. GRHC strives to adhere to national best practices and continues to implement procedures which best serve our patients.

Plain Language Emergency Communication ensures our patients, visitors, and staff members' safety by minimizing confusion. The launch of this initiative will begin October 1, 2017, with permanent implementation January 1, 2018.

We encourage patients to be aware of this change. Should you have questions, please contact Kathie Dumais at (520) 562-3321 ext. 1207 or kdumais@grhc.com.

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## WITH RAIN COMES MOSQUITOES!



See your doctor if you develop a fever plus muscle/joint pain, headache with pain behind the eyes, rash, or pink eye. Zika is transmitted through mosquito bites, blood transfusion, sex with an infected person, and infected mother to unborn child.

**There is no vaccine or specific treatment**, so stay in air-conditioned buildings or that use screens to keep mosquitoes outside. Mosquitoes that spread Zika are aggressive daytime biters and can also bite at night.

**Use insect repellent!** Look for active ingredients of DEET, PICARIDIN, IR3535, OIL OF LEMON EUCALYPTUS; wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants; and treat clothing with permethrin. Do not use insect repellent on babies younger than 2 months. Pregnant? Consider postponing travel to Zika-infected areas.

## BE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER

*Refer your family and friends to Gila River Health Care*

### NEW OPPORTUNITIES

- Chief Operating Officer
- Director Revenue Cycle
- Compliance Officer
- Human Resources Supervisor
- Dental Specialty  
Komatke Health Center, Laveen, AZ
- Lifestyle Coach  
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For more information, please contact the GRHC HR Department at: 602-528-1342 or visit us online at: [grhc.org/careers](http://grhc.org/careers)

The Benefits of a Career at Gila River Health Care

### Celebrating, New GRHC Employees

GRHC's newest employees began working in the following departments: Human Resources, DRS, Laboratory, Optometry, Dialysis, Primary Care, Patient Registration, and IT.

*Welcome!*

- Amanda • Kristy • Jefferson • Christina • Reina
- Bailey • Kara • Jazmin • Mary • Drake

*Enjoy your career with Gila River Health Care!*

## GILA RIVER HEALTH CARE HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Gila River Health Care will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

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# Preparing Makes Sense. Get Ready Now.

High winds, dust storms, flash floods, and power outages from severe weather have threatened the GRIC in the past. Are you prepared to make it on your own for a few days in the event of an emergency?

## Be Informed

Learn what to do before and during an emergency. Before a disaster, learn how you will get information on hazardous events through local alerts and warnings.

## Make a Plan

Prepare, plan, and stay informed for emergencies. Learn what to do in different situations and customize your plan for local hazards. Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so your plan should consider the following:

- How you will get to a safe place?
- How you will contact one another?
- How you will get back together?

## Build a 72-Hour Kit of Emergency Supplies:

- Water, one gallon per person per day
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Flashlight
- AM/FM radio with extra batteries
- First aid kit with medications
- Small tool kit to turn off utilities
- Matches, paper, pencil, etc.
- Personal items such as soap and a toothbrush
- Infant, child and elder care items

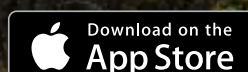
Learn more about Gila River Indian Community health and safety emergency planning and preparedness by contacting the Office of Emergency Management (520) 796-3755 or go online to [gricready.org](http://gricready.org) OR [gricready.com](http://gricready.com).

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