

District 7 hosts annual Mustering-In Day celebration

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In honor of the commitment and support to support the U.S. Army, District 7 hosted the 152nd Annual Mustering-In Day Celebration on Sept. 9.

With flags of our nation and community streaming down the parade route the celebrations were in full swing as the Pee Posh Veteran's Association led the way down 83rd Avenue.

It was a special day for one District 7 veteran Alfred "Freddie" Reams Sr., who, on the eve of his 85th birthday, received the honor of being this year's grand marshal.

Reams said it was a surprise to see that he was picked to be the grand marshal, but said there are many veterans that are deserving of being recognized for their military service.

He said being a paratrooper in the 187th Regimental Combat Team known as the "Rakkasan" was a tough assignment. His team trained in Japan in preparation for the Korean War.

"When I started to look into my records it all started coming back, my time in the service, education in which I went to Arizona State University for a business degree," Reams said.

When Reams returned home after military service, he obtained his high school diploma from Phoenix Indian School and started a family that took him from



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Pee Posh Veteran's Association led the Mustering-In Parade in District 7 on Sept. 9.

the west end of the Community to Sacaton, where he worked in numerous administrative positions within tribal government.

Reams said he was committed to his work with the Community, and above all treated people with respect.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis recognized Reams for his service and dedication.

"Mr. Reams is a point of pride for our Community for all that he is done," said Lewis. "He really epitomizes what being a veteran and leader for our Community is all about."

In recognition of Reams' service in the military and to the Community, Lewis called for a round of applause and went on to say Reams was instrumental on many of the Community's initiatives.

"It's a point of pride for our Community the annual mustering-in day event, to see the showing of support for this event," said Lewis

Lewis thanked the District 7 staff and recreation committee that had a hand in organizing the event.

He said, "You really can't

have these types of events, without the dedicated workers, who believe in keeping alive the memory of what Mustering-In Day is all about."

"We have a military alliance that goes back over a hundred years ago between the Pee Posh and Akimel O'otham, who came together for a common purpose, which was to protect the people... that history is very important, especially today, when we see our veterans, who answer the call, just like [they] did then."

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Inaugural Gila River Veterans Conference provides resources to local veterans



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Shirley Lewis and Lance Lewis enjoy a meal at the Veterans Conference on Sept. 9.

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The inaugural Gila River Veteran's Conference was held at the Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass on Sept. 9, and consisted of a number of work sessions that provided a variety of information on veterans' benefits to assist Gila River Indian Community veterans access local resources.

The conference kicked off with the presenting of colors, an

opening prayer performed by Urban Giff, and a traditional blessing given by Barnaby Lewis. Before the day's first sessions began, conference attendees were treated to breakfast.

Darrell Whitman, District 1 veteran and planning committee member who developed the idea for the conference and helped organize the event, said the main idea behind the conference was to connect Community veterans

to the benefits and resources they have earned through their service in the armed forces.

"That is the main thing, trying to get (veterans) to know what is out there for them and literally getting them to the resources," said Whitman. "We do have these resources out there." He added that while there are resources provided by the Community, there are also services outside of the tribe that local veterans can benefit from, like suicide prevention programs, Eagle One Mobile Veteran Outreach Services, and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

The conference was made up of six sessions, spread throughout the day from morning until evening, that consisted of workshops focused on veteran and family resources such as GRIC's Defense Services Office, Tribal Education Department, AmeriCorps, and the Mesa Vets Center. Additionally, there were workshops on traditional culture, suicide prevention, information on veterans transitioning in and out of the armed forces, discussion on post traumatic stress disorder, a film fest, and how to get the most out of the VA.

Attending the conference was a mixed group of veterans from all five armed forces. One conference attendee, Bruce Hutchinson, a former UH-1 Huey Crew Chief in the 101st Airborne Division who saw combat in the Vietnam War, said he had stopped by the conference to see what was going on, and find out what resources were available to veterans.

When asked about his combat experience in the Vietnam War, Hutchinson said, "I was a helicopter crew chief in Vietnam and I was with the 101st Airborne Division over there. I got shot in the back of my knee. I lost two gunners and two pilots while I was there. I crashed three times, so I am a walking miracle," he said.

Irving Johns Sr., 82, a Community veteran who participated in the event, said the conference was interesting.

"It's nice, and you learn things that you normally don't hear about through the workshops," he said. He added that his favorite workshop he attended was on suicide prevention.

When asked about his years

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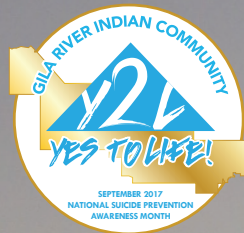
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District 3 Summer Bash spikes off with competitive tournament



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Team Jujudam of District 5 came in first place.

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As the clock wound down to the championship game's final seconds between District 5's Jujudam and San Xavier's White Doves, an audience huddled around the chair volleyball court in quiet anticipation.

Two teams, each made up of six players, concentrated on a large purple volleyball as it sailed over the net towards the White Doves, who attempted to repel the heavy handed serve. In the end the pink shirted Doves were unsuccessful in claiming victory and the blue shirted Jujudam were crowned champions of the 10th Annual District 3 Senior Summer Bash Elder Chair Volleyball Tournament.

While the championship game was the culmination of this year's Summer Bash, the day began early with a continental breakfast, and was filled with numerous games played between 20 teams representing the Gila River Indian Community, the Tohono O'odham Nation, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, Ak-Chin Indian Community, and Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation.

GRIC's Communications and Public Affairs Office supplied box lunches to the elders, while members of the Gila River Fire Department, Gila River Emergency Medical Services, and Gila River Police Department served popcorn and snow cones.

Reba Manuel, District 3 Elderly Coordinator and event organizer, said the tournament was an opportunity to get elders together and participate in a game they all enjoy.

"It's a good work out for them," said Manuel. "I think when (chair volleyball) started off, it just started from a recreational fun thing, then the competitiveness kicked in. It is good for them, it is social and for many of the elders they grew up with sports, so to be able to still move and be part of a team, they really enjoy it," she said.

Manuel said the District 3 elders, who have three volleyball teams, decided to forgo the tournament in order to help put on the event.

"This year they didn't get in their own tournament because they really wanted to be the hosts," said Manuel. "They wanted to volunteer and work in the background, to make sure everyone had a good time."

And a good time was had by all.



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Team White Doves from San Xavier came in second place.

Gerald D. Adams of the San Xavier White Doves, said his team traveled several hours to get to the tournament.

"It's a lot of fun, you meet a lot of people and you go places and then you hustle for money, selling or fundraising so we can go where our district won't pay for it," he said.

For the White Doves, making sure they have travel money is key. Just recently the team returned from a weeklong tournament held at the Avi Resort & Casino in Laughlin, NV. They have also participated in tournaments in California, Tuba City, Peach

Hendricks said he has been playing chair volleyball for three years and likes taking part in the weekly practices with his team.

"I like it, it is something to do, something to look forward to on Tuesdays and Thursdays when

we practice," said Hendricks. "I like going out to different places for the tournaments, it is very interesting meeting other people from other tribes, making new friends."

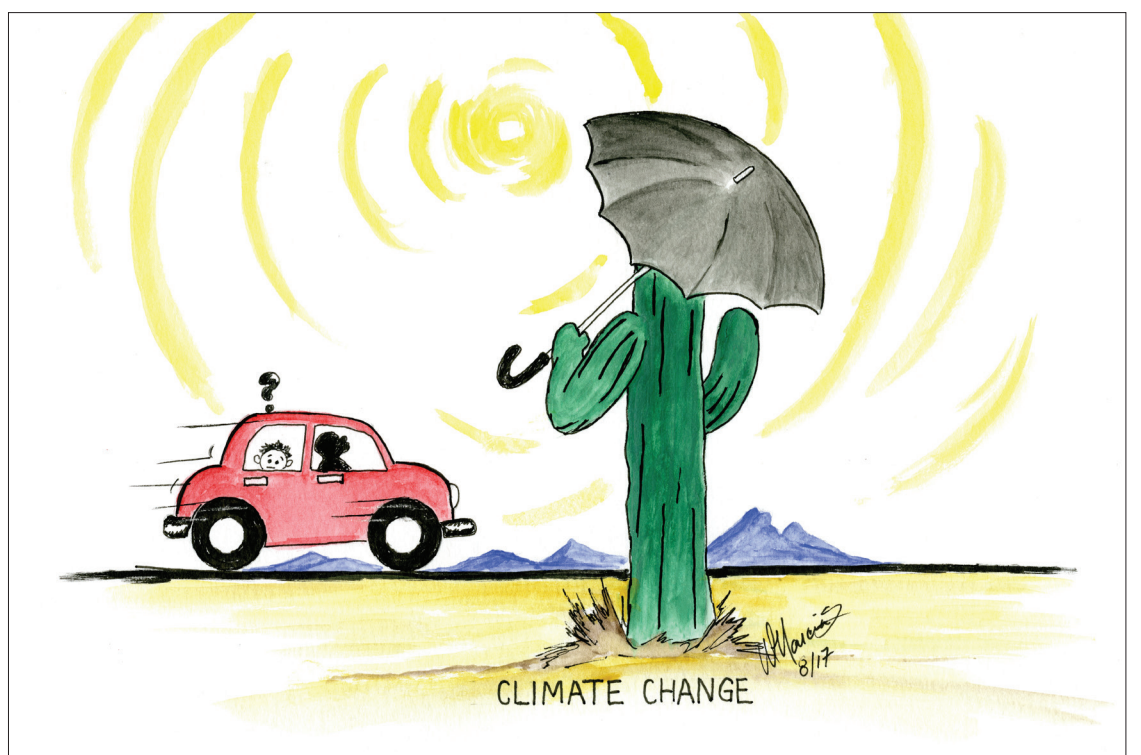
As the Summer Bash came to a close, the District 5 Jujudam took first place, San Xavier's White Dove's second place, and District 5's Mustangs took third place.

To learn more about activities going on at the District 3 Service Center or if you are interested in getting involved in the Elder and Recreation Programs, call (520) 562-2704.



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A member of San Xavier's White Doves attempts to deflect a serve during the elder chair volleyball tournament held inside the District 3 Boys & Girls Club on Sept. 9.



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Lt. Gov. Monica Antone spoke about the camaraderie that was formed by the Pee Posh and Akimel O'otham.

She said, "It's good to see [all the veterans] out here celebrating today, this is who we are as Akimel O'otham and Pee Posh people, we protect our Community members and are still do so, by serving in the military."

The three singing

groups who kept the dancers moving were, Singing & Dancing by the River, San Juan Kualiya dance group and a bird dancing and signing social.

The packed day of events included a 2-mile run and walk and an abundance of activities for Community members to revel in to stay entertained throughout the day.

The day included a slew of traditional dancers and singers along with evening entertainment performed by Midnight Run

and Two Rivers.

A horse shoe tournament also took place while

parents and their children cooled off at the splash pad.



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Lt. Gov. Monica Antone addresses the audience.



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Gila Crossing color guard march in the parade.



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Veterans post the colors to start the presentations.



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Alfred Reams Sr., was this year's Grand Marshal.



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Gov. Lewis with Grand Marshal Reams.



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Ira H. Hayes Post 84 members raise the flags in D7.



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Several floats honored the veterans in District 7.



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The F.A.C.E. program joins the parade.

WHPMP Friday Night Drags is bringing drag racing back to the people



Chris Kaufman, Bad Rooster Image

Trucks race at Wild Horse Pass Motorsports Park on Sept. 8.



Chris Kaufman, Bad Rooster Image

The next Friday Night Drags will be held on Sept. 22.

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Nothing compares to the awe and excitement of the drag strip, with vehicles launching themselves forward down the raceway pulled by engines capable of incredible power and speed. Whether you are looking to race your own vehicle or just want to view the action close up, the Wild Horse Pass Motorsports Park (WHPMP) has the cure for your need for

speed. On the evening of Sept. 8, WHPMP held the Advance Auto Parts-Friday Night Drags season opener, which included a special ceremony called "Salute our Fallen Heroes." During the ceremony the racetrack was briefly shut down in honor of the men and women who served in the United State Armed Forces.

Darren Pedro, WHPMP Promotions and Special Events Coordinator, said Friday Night Drags is the type of event where

participants "Run what you bring".

"You can bring any street car that you want," said Pedro. "It could be your Honda Civic, or souped-up Top Fuel Car, it could be your Toyota Odyssey, your BMW or Mercedes. So you can go ahead, as long as you pass the tech, you can race it down the drag strip."

Passing the tech, Pedro explained, is an inspection where vehicles are checked to make sure they are safe and ready to run down the

drag strip. He said among other requirements, vehicles must have good tires, no leaks, no broken or missing lug nuts, a battery that is securely mounted, working brake lights, and a valid driver's license.

If you can get through the inspection, you can even race your daily driver down the drag strip. The types of cars that run down the strip are varied, and come in all shapes and sizes.

"We have people bring all kinds of cars, we have

guy who... has a Tesla and he drives it down the drag strip, there is a lady who runs her Mercedes down the drag strip, and I have seen old model Volkswagen Bugs, like Herbie the Love Bug, a little Datsun truck, and even a station wagon," he said.

So if you're looking to test your vehicle's mettle, or just want to have a good time witnessing the thrill of a good ol' drag race, come on down to Wild Horse Pass Motorsports Park's Friday Night Drags and

cure your need for speed. All Gila River Indian Community members receive 50 percent off any WHPMP events. Friday Night Drags general admission is \$15 for spectators and free for all children 12 years old and younger, as long as a paying adult accompanies them.

The next Friday Night Drags will be held on Sept. 22, Oct. 6, Oct. 27, Nov. 10, Dec. 1, and Feb. 16.

For more information contact WHPMP at (520) 796-5601.

Gila River Police Department Incident Logs

Gila River Police Department reserves the right to restrict the release of certain reports which may not be available or are currently under investigation.

Incident Log August 20 – August 26, 2017

Gila River Police officers responded to 621 calls for service and made 55 arrests.

District One:

Theft – A suspect walked onto the victim's property, stole a bicycle and rode it off the premises. We are currently reviewing evidence which was discovered at the scene.

Status: Under Investigation

District Two:

Homicide – Gila River Police Department was notified of suspicious pool of blood on the bridge. Upon further investigation officers discovered the deceased victim lying nearby.

Status: Under Investigation

District Three:

Aggravated Assault – During the course of the altercation the suspect stabbed the victim causing several injuries. The victim was transported by Gila River Emergency Medical Services to a local trauma hospital for treatment of his non life threatening injuries.

Status: Under Investigation

District Four:

Theft – The suspect took the victims belongings from her purse after she was removed from the residence. The victim reported several medications and an electronic device missing from her bag.

Status: Under Investigation

District Four: (Stotonic Area)

No incidents regarding Part I crime.

(Lone Butte / WHP Area)

Shoplifting – The suspects entered the Tommy Hilfiger store inside Phoenix Premium Outlets and removed several security sensors from merchandise. The suspect then concealed the merchandise on their person and exited the store without paying for the items.

Status: Under Investigation

District Five:

Weapon – The reporting party advised a vehicle occupied by several subjects fired off a shotgun in a residential area. No persons, vehicles, or residences were struck. Once Officers located the vehicle they attempted to conduct a traffic stop. The vehicle immediately failed to yield and fled from the Officers.

The vehicle and driver were later located in the city of Casa Grande.

Status: Under Investigation

District Six:

Aggravated Assault– The suspect was arrested after he strangled his girlfriend while they were arguing and physically fighting. Injuries were observed on the victim and photos were taken and submitted into evidence.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into DRS

Theft – The victim parked his rollmaster black mountain bike in the bike rack at the Vee Quiva Casino. A male subject removed the bike from the rack, and rode off the casino property. Casino Security was able to identify the suspect and provided his information to officers. Officers are currently following up.

Status: Under Investigation

District Seven:

No incidents regarding Part I crime.

August 27 – September 2, 2017

Calls for services this week: 717, Arrest made: 65

District One (Blackwater):

Theft – The victim called to report someone had taken his yellow push lawn edger from his back patio. There are distinct marking on the front of the lawn edger which will make it identifiable. Some evidence was recovered on scene.

Status: Under Investigation

Theft – The victim reported his license plate was taken from his vehicle while parked at his residence. The license plate was entered into NCIC (National Crime Information Center) as stolen.

Status: Under Investigation

District Two (Sacaton Flats)

Theft – Officers responded to a call regarding items which were taken from a commercial lot. The investigation revealed the lock had been broken off by the suspect which allowed them to gain entry. The suspect(s) took items and caused damage to a storage facility on the lot. Some evidence was recovered and booked into evidence for processing.

Status: Under Investigation

District Three (Sacaton):

Aggravated Assault – Juvenile adult male com-

mitted aggravated assault by cutting the right hand of his step father with a razor box cutter. The victim stated that the cut was not a serious injury and refused medical attention. The box cutter was recovered; evidence was collected and booked into evidence.

Status: The subject was booked into JDRS.

Burglary – Two hand drills were taken from the storage area at the First Pima Baptist Church. The reporting party stated there have been previous thefts in the area and safety precautions are being taken.

Status: Open Investigation

District Four (Stotonic Area):

Theft – Officers were dispatched to a residence in reference to a theft which had occurred. The investigation revealed a flat screen television had been taken while the homeowner was away.

Status: Under Investigation

District Four (Lone Butte Area):

Shoplifting– Officers were dispatched to Tommy Hilfiger Store at the Phoenix Premium Outlet for a shoplifting call. Investigation revealed a male suspect removed a security tab from the pants while in a fitting room.

The suspect then walked out of the store without paying for the items.

Status: Open Investigation

Theft – The victim reported his bike was stolen while he was at the Lone Butte Casino. The victim reported he arrived at the casino and locked his bike on the bike rack and went inside. When he was ready to leave his bike was not where he had left it and it could not be located.

Status: Open Investigation

Shoplifting – Officers were at the Phoenix Premium Outlet when three females were observed walking towards the parking lot. Officers were advised the three females had just stole from

the store. One female took the items while the other two were her "look outs". The female who took the items had placed the items under a stroller padding and walked out of the store without paying

Status: Suspects were cited.

Theft– Two male subjects walked into the Coach Store at the Phoenix Premium Outlet and removed several coach purses. They then ran past the cash register without attempting to pay for the items and exited the store.

Status: Under Investigation

Theft – A gun was stolen from a vehicle while it was parked at the Wild Horse Pass Hotel and Casino. The reporting party came back to the car where they noticed certain things had been disturbed. Upon searching their vehicle they noticed the weapon had been removed.

Status: Under Investigation

Burglary – Suspects forced entry into an RV camper and stole various items that were stored in the camper. The suspects attempted to gain entry into another camper but were unsuccessful. Video surveillance will be reviewed to assist in identifying the suspects.

Status: Under Investi-

gation

District Five (Casa Blanca):

Burglary – The victim called dispatch to report a burglary. The investigation revealed that a window directly next to the front door was shattered and a large amount of food had been taken out of her refrigerator. It was also discovered other items had been taken from the residence during the course of the crime. Evidence was recovered at the scene and booked into the Police Department for processing.

Status: Under Investigation

District Six (Komatke):

Aggravated Assault– Officers were dispatched to shots fired in the area through multiple callers. During the course of the information retrieved it was discovered a male subject had also been shot. Upon the officer's arrival they were able to locate the victim and other individuals who were at the residence. The victim was transported to an area hospital where they received further medical treatment.

Status: Under Investigation

Aggravated Assault– Officers were dispatched to a residence in reference

to subjects in front of the residence who were fighting. Information was received that a loud noise occurred and when the individual went outside they observed their mailbox on the ground. Evidence was collected and submitted for processing.

Status: Under Investigation

Burglary– Officers responded to a burglary call. Upon further investigation it was discovered two televisions were taken from a storage area at the victim's residence. Damages were observed to the door as well as the locking mechanism. Evidence was located, photographed and booked for processing.

Status: Under Investigation

Theft– Officers responded to the residence in reference to a stolen firearm. Contact was made with the victim who stated that the firearm was left at a family member's residence and is now missing. The firearm was entered into NCIC (National Crime Information Center) as stolen.

Status: Under Investigation

District Seven (Maricopa):

No incidents involving part I crime



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Robert Roe “Bobby” Lewis obituary



Robert's father was the late Reverend Dr. Roe Blaine Lewis of Lower San Tan Village District 4 of the Gila River Indian Community and his mother was the late Sallie Elizabeth Lewis of Parker.

He is also survived by two brothers, Rodney Blaine Lewis, former general counsel of the Gila River Indian Community, and John Lewis, former Executive Director of the Inter-tribal Council of Arizona. Robert and his brothers grew up in Casa Blanca, where their father was the Minister of the Vah-ki Presbyterian Church for many years. While growing up in Casa Blanca Robert was known as “Bobby” to his

family and friends.

Robert graduated from Sacaton Elementary School, and then attended North Phoenix High School. Robert then attended and graduated from Whitworth College, Spokane, WA, with a B.A. in Sociology. Mr Lewis also earned a Master's degree in Social Work from Arizona State University.

Robert was an outstanding middle distance runner for the Whitworth varsity track team.

Robert Roe Lewis served honorably in the U.S. Army and was an intelligence analyst and stationed in Fort Bragg, NC. He was assigned to the United States Army special

warfare center.

Robert was a probation officer for Pinal County working with young offenders prior to being inducted into the Army. After serving in the U.S. Army he was employed by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community first as a director of the youth home and subsequently as director of the community social services program. He worked for SRPMIC for over 30 years.

Robert developed and administered the first transition of the Bureau of Indian Affairs social services programs to an Indian tribe. He served on the advisory board for the school of social work at ASU where he was also an Adjunct Instructor, and was also the

first Native American representative to their alumni association.

Robert was a teacher, mentor, and advisor to several generations of Native American social workers. His intellect, insightfulness, and patient guidance paved the way for new understandings, and innovative and effective techniques in Native American social work. He was widely admired for his dignity and integrity.

Robert was active in the Presbyterian Church (USA) as an elder and a member of the choir for Central Presbyterian Church in Phoenix, AZ. He was Associate for Native American Ministries for the Grand Canyon Presbytery, and served on the

Synod of the Southwest's Native American Consulting Committee. He was the first Native American moderator of the Grand Canyon Presbytery. He also served on the Presbyterian General Assembly Mission Council, the highest ruling body of the Presbyterian Church. He was also a chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cook Christian Training School, in Tempe, AZ.

Wake services were held Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at the District 5 Multi-service Center, in Casa Blanca, and funeral services were held on Wednesday, September 6, at 6 am at the Vah-Ki Presbyterian Church in District 5. Burial services were held at the Upper San Tan Cemetery.

Lewis Family Thank You Letter

Submitted by
Lewis Family

Thank You

In Appreciation During
Our Loss:

The family of the late Robert Roe Lewis wishes to express its deepest appreciation and gratitude

for the many expressions of sympathy and assistance extended to the family as we mourn the loss of our dear husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and cousin. To the following we extend our thanks:

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And deepest appreciation to the many donations of food, water, flowers, and for the seen and unseen helping hands,

God bless each and every one of you.

A eulogy in honor of Sharon K. Shelde's first anniversary



Submitted by
Betty Pablo

Sharon Kay (Lewis) Shelde was born on July 5, 1952 in Phoenix, AZ. She grew up in the Co Op Village, started school at the Gila Crossing Day School; after which she went to South Mountain High School, then on to the University of Wisconsin in 1968. After she came home she also went to a cosmetology school here in Phoenix and worked as a cosmetologist in the Phoenix area.

She was a member here at the Gila Crossing Presbyterian Church. She sang in the choir and helped with Vacation Bible School and also in the regular Sunday school when needed.

She married Terrence Duane Shelde who passed on about 3 years later, leaving her widowed for about 40

years. But, she continued to work and care for her 3 boys.

In 2005 she started to work at the Gila Crossing School as a cultural instructor full time. She was still on other committees. She served on the Housing Committee and she was the District 6 Community Secretary/Treasurer for some years. Then she went back to school at South Mountain Community College for her teaching degree, which she achieved in 2014. She was very passionate about her job with the school and her students that she taught. At the school she worked with the girls to learn to do the Basket Dances. They went to dance at different events. She also taught adults at the Learning Center on Saturdays for those who wanted to learn the lan-

guage.

These were just some of the things that Sharon did. She helped a lot of people even though she was handicapped. She still found the time and energy to do all of these things. A devoted and faithful fan of the Diamond Backs and the Arizona Cardinals, she cheered them on while attending a game or watching them on TV.

She will be greatly missed. However, we all know that she believed in the Lord; he saw how tired she was getting. He took her home. She surely earned this rest, as her reward.

Sharon is survived by her three sons Timothy Shelde and his wife Linda Edmond Shelde and Camaron Lewis; her mother Betty and six sisters – Gloria, Alicia, Winona, Veronica, Winfred and Juanita; three brothers – Roger, Clifton and Chester. She had four granddaughters – Elainea, Trinity, Penelope and Abigale; also, two grandsons – Aerol Shelde and Simeon Shelde.

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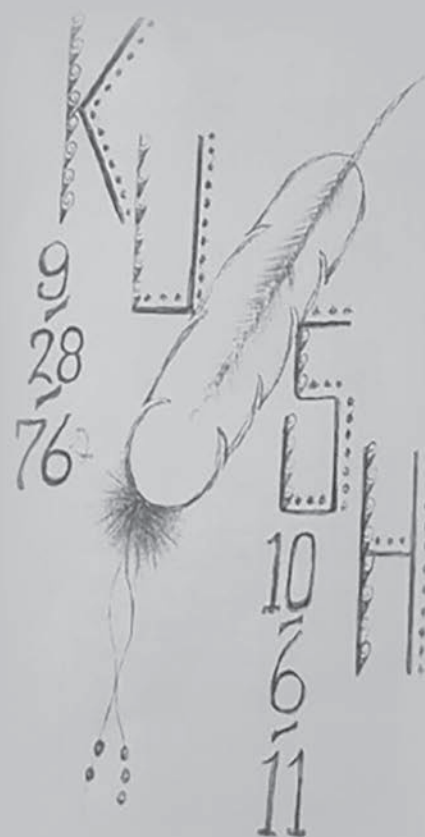
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What does it taste like?

When you want to ask in O’otham what a certain food tastes like you can say Sha: ka:k? This question is made up of the question word Sha: which is one of the two words in O’otham that corresponds to the English word ‘what’ (the other word being Sha:chu) and the verb ka:k, which is the word that is used to describe how something tastes like. There are many words in O’otham that describe how something tastes. These include s-io’ov (sweet), s-he’ek (sour), s-onk (salty), s-ko’ok (chile hot) and siv (bitter). You can also use the phrases sap ap ka:k (to taste good) or bi ap ap ka:k (to not taste good) to describe how things taste. As we learned a few months back O’otham has a specific word s-ko’ok that is used for spicy hot foods like kokol hithoḍ. If you wanted to ask if the chile stew is chile hot you can ask someone No s-ko’ok heg kokol hithoḍ? The person that was asked can answer in many different ways, by simply stating Ha’o/No:, or using a phrase like Ha’o, i:vo s-ko’ok if it’s really chile hot or Bi ‘o shai s-ko’ok if it’s not that chile hot.

To state if a food has a particular taste you make a simple sentence using the verb together with the auxiliary verb ‘o and the food you are describing. For example if you want to say that the beans are salty you can say S-onk ‘o heg mu:ñ. It is very common for speakers to leave out the ‘o auxiliary and to shorten the sentence to S-onk heg mu:ñ. To say that the coffee is bitter you would say Siv ‘o heg kovhi:/Siv heg kovhi:. If you wanted to say that the orange is sour you can say S-he’ek ‘o heg nalash/S-he’ek heg nalash. And if you wanted to complement someone’s cooking you can tell them Si sap ap ka:k heg em hithoḍ!/I:vo’o sap ap ka:k heg em hithoḍ!

To state that a food does not have the particular taste you make up a different type of sentence that uses the negation word bi along with the verb you are using and the food you are describing. Using the negation word bi with the

verb causes all of the taste words (except siv ‘bitter’) to lose their initial s sound. These types of words are usually written with a prefix to show that they lose this sound when the word is said after the negation word bi. For example if you wanted to say that the beans are not salty you say Bi ‘o onk heg mu:ñ/Bi onk heg mu:ñ. Notice that you do not say the word s-onk in this sentence but take off the initial s sound to say onk. If you want to say that the orange is not sour you could say Bi ‘o he’ek heg nalash/Bi he’ek heg nalash. Notice again that you do not say the initial s sound that you used in the positive statement S-he’ek ‘o heg nalash. But if you wanted to say that the coffee isn’t bitter you would say Bi ‘o siv heg kovhi:/Bi siv heg kovhi:. Notice that siv is different in that you do say the initial s sound that is dropped with the other taste words.

Another verb that works in this same manner is the O’otham word s-na:k, which is the words used to describe food that you like to eat or that you like the taste of. For example if you wanted to tell someone that you like to eat potatoes you can say S-na:k ‘añ heg ba:bas. Notice that in this sentence you don’t use the ‘o auxiliary but use the ‘añ auxiliary instead. This is because you are talking about yourself (a:ñi) and are stating what you like to eat. If you wanted to say that you like to eat tortillas (checmaith) you would say S-na:k ‘añ heg checmaith. And if you wanted to say that you like to eat spicy (chile hot) food you can say S-na:k ‘añ math ‘o s-ko’ok heg hithoḍ.

But let’s say that you wanted to say that you didn’t like to eat something or didn’t like the taste of something. In this case you use the negation word bi and change the word s-na:k by dropping the initial s and use the word na:k instead. For example, if you wanted to say that you didn’t like to eat onions you can say Bi ‘añ na:k heg sivol. Or if you wanted to say that you do not like the taste of bitter coffee you can say Bi ‘añ na:k heg siv kovhi:. And finally if you wanted to say that you do not like the taste of sour foods you

can say Bi ‘añ na:k math ‘o s-he’ek heg hithoḍ.

S-na:k is also used as a question when you want to ask someone if they like to eat a certain type of food or like the taste of a certain type of food. You can ask someone Nap s-na:k heg chuchul nonna ch heg ko:ji? if you want to know if they like to eat eggs and bacon Nap s-na:k heg ha:l if you want to know if they like to eat squash and Nap s-na:k heg s-onk hithoḍ? if you want to know if the person you’re talking to likes salty food.

This month’s word match will test your knowledge of the words to taste in O’otham. Remember the different words for tasting and how they are used and ask each other Sha: ka:k? next time you’re eating together.

Sha: ka:k? Match the taste sentence with its picture!

S-he’ek ‘o heg s-he’ekchu.



S-io’ov ‘o heg s-io’ov papan.



S-ko’ok ‘o heg kokol hithoḍ.



S-onk ‘o heg ba:bas



S-io’ov ‘o heg nalash vadag.



Siv ‘o heg kovhi:



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Irving and Arlene Johns at the conference. Mr. Johns served in the Navy and said the conference was interesting.



Thomas R. Throssell/GRIN

Bruce Hutchinson and his grandson Malakai, 5, attended the Veterans Conference on Sept. 9.

Veterans Conference from Page 1

of service, Johns, who served in the Navy from 1955-1963, said a highlight of his military career was when he served two years on the renowned aircraft carrier, U.S.S. Midway.

"It was a good experience," Johns said. "I toured the east coast, I toured that on the Midway...in 1957, 1958. We went to Pearl Harbor...and then we went to the Philippine islands, Okinawa, Midway Islands, then we ended up in Yokuska, Japan, that was our overseas home port," he recalled.

Following the sessions, a banquet was held with MC Henry Pino telling jokes to the audience followed by music performed by the band Men in the Maze led by musician Bob Villa.

GRIC dignitaries Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Lt. Gov. Monica Antone each gave speeches thanking the veterans for their service to the country, and to the Community.

Antone said that she had just recently come back from a trip to Washington D.C., and during her time there, visited Ira. H. Hayes's grave in Arlington National Cemetery. She said while she was there, in front of his grave, she thanked him for his service and act of raising the American flag over the island of Iwo Jima. She said in the same way she thanked Ira Hayes during her visit to his grave, she also thanked the Community veterans in attendance at the banquet.

At the conference's closing, Gov. Lewis took to

the stage speaking on how important the inaugural event was in bringing well-earned resources to veterans, who otherwise may not know are available to them.

"This is very significant, very historic for our veterans, that we are starting something for them," said Lewis. "It's about bringing veterans together and acknowledging their contributions to the Community, and our nation," he said.

"When I think of all the veterans, everyone who has paid the ultimate sacrifice, or come back home... it is important that we get those resources to all of our veterans, I think this veterans conference, this inaugural and historic Gila River Veterans Conference is a step in the right direction," he said.



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Valencia Rodriguez and Edmund Kyytan at the banquet which included speeches and special presentations.

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Gila River Hotels & Casinos' emergency response staff saves patron's life



Thomas R. Throssell/GRIN

From left, GREMS EMT Thomas H. Withers, Paramedic Chad T. Sharp, Gila River Hotel & Casino EMT Sera Ah Quin, GRFD Firefighter Steven Vander Linden, Gila River Hotel & Casino Security Lisa Hunt, GRFD Captain Bruce Ballard, and GRFD Firefighter Julie Gooderham.

Thomas R. Throssell
Gila River Indian News

In the following article the identity, location, and medical condition of the patient has been concealed for the sake of their privacy.

Accidents and life threatening situations can arise during the most inopportune and least expected times, which is why Gila River Hotels & Casinos' emergency response team, working in conjunction with Gila River Emergency Medical Services (GREMS) and the Gila River Fire Department (GRFD) have been successful in keeping casino patrons healthy, happy, and at times, even saving their lives.

During a recent incident, a casino patron experienced a sudden life threatening condition where immediate treatment meant the difference between life and death.

Fortunately, Gila River Casino employs 14 security officers who are also qualified as EMTs throughout its three casinos; the Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino, Lone Butte Hotel & Casino, and Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino.

Once the patron began suffering from their condition, the casinos emergency response team was dispatched to the scene.

Sera Ah Quin and Lisa Hunt found the patron unresponsive, which is when they deployed an automated external defibrillator (AED) and began performing CPR.

Quin, who is trained as an EMT, said this was the first experience she had utilizing her professional skills in a life or death situation.

"It was such a fulfilling experience," said Quin. "I am so proud and humbled that this guest is now able to enjoy (their) life... as a result of my skills and frame of mind."

"As an EMT, I am trained to burst into action on a moment's notice. In the future, now that I have my first lifesaving occurrence under my belt, I will be even more comfortable and knowledgeable with the procedure," she said.

Hunt, who assisted in the incident by performing CPR, said Quin kept her calm and told her to listen to the AED in order to keep rhythm as she performed compressions.

"As soon as I saw Sera administering the AED, I raced over," said Hunt. "Our security staff is so fortunate to have trained EMTs on our team. That evening, I couldn't even sleep since the adrenaline was so high. I felt like

"Wow, we brought somebody back to life," she said.

According to Mark Williams, Gila River Hotels & Casino's Emergency Services Coordinator, while these types of life and death emergencies are not a common occurrence, it is vital for their staff to be trained for even the most difficult circumstances.

"This dramatic of an incident is not one that occurs every day, not even every year for that matter," said Williams. "We are happy for its rarity, but it is a perfect example of why we must be prepared at any given moment. Currently, there are 14 security officers who are qualified as EMTs, and they are extremely valuable pieces to our enterprise," he said.

Working together to keep patients healthy, happy, and alive

While Gila River Hotels & Casinos' emergency response teams are typi-



Thomas R. Throssell/GRIN

GREMS and GRFD presented personalized coins to Sera Ah Quin and Lisa Hunt for providing life-saving assistance to a casino patron.

cally first on scene during a medical emergency on casino properties, they are but one gear in a larger machine that makes up Gila River Indian Community's emergency services.

It is the job of the casino's emergency response staff to stabilize a patient by utilizing an AED or performing CPR until GREMS and GRFD arrive.

In the recent case of a casino patron suffering from a medical emergency, GREMS and GRFD assisted with the incident then transported the patient to the hospital.

This teamwork creates an environment of quick and high quality care that keeps patients healthy, happy, and alive.

Kevin Knight, Gila River EMS Deputy Chief said, "We work very closely with (the casino emergency response team), they are usually there first...they start care and when we get there, we take over care and transport the patient."

Chris Riddle, Gila River EMS Division Chief, said during high-risk calls, a GRFD engine and crew are also sent to help assist in performing high quality CPR.

"Especially during

CPR or cardiac events, it is very taxing and fatiguing," Riddle said. "High quality CPR should be done every two minutes, that is when the fatigue factor kicks in for personnel. On these types of calls it is always good to have those extra personnel, because every two minutes we are trying to cycle out (the personnel) doing compressions," he said.

He added that a single paramedic performs 100 chest compressions every minute while conducting CPR. The level of physicality demanded while performing high quality CPR can be straining on even the most fit paramedic, which is why it is important to have GRFD on scene to assist in stabilizing high-risk patients.

Knight said providing high quality CPR to patients, is a team effort, and can be compared to a NASCAR pit crew.

"If you think about NASCAR, the car comes into pit row, and everyone has a very specific function," he said. "Nobody is doing anybody else's job. For us someone is responsible for maintaining the airway, somebody is responsible for chest compressions,

somebody is responsible for establishing an IV so we can administer life saving medications, somebody is in charge of rhythm interpretation and administering defibrillation, (and) somebody is in charge of documenting everything we do. We need a lot of people to manage this type of patient and the fire department and the casino emergency services are our partners in that," he said.

Keeping people alive and healthy is job number one for the casino's emergency response team, GREMS, and GRFD. By working together they are making sure that no matter the emergency, patients will receive the best care possible.

"The relationship between the Gila River Fire Department, Gila River Emergency Medical Services and the emergency response team here is a crucial one," said Williams. "We all need to complement each other and work as a team. Since we are already on site, the short time frame we have to be first responders can make the difference between life and death, while the GRFD and GREMS race to the scene."

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NABA-AZ awards law professionals and law students at annual dinner



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Gov. Lewis with Pete Sabori, a third year law student.

Roberto A. Jackson Gila River Indian News

For an organization of Native American law professionals that have been through the rigors of law school, helping current law students achieve their academic goals is their way of giving back. Attorneys are expected to be fluent in a high volume of multifaceted issues while finding answers to complex problems and situations. Working under pressure, in a very demanding field, requires resolve and determination. The stress often begins not during the practice of law but the study of it.

That is why at the 9th Annual Seven Generations Awards Dinner & Silent Auction the Native American Bar Association of Arizona (NABA-AZ) not only honored current law professionals, but awarded scholarships to 11 law students who will soon be joining their ranks.

The dinner, held at the Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino on Sept. 9, brought together Native American attorneys, and those working for tribes in Arizona, for a night of honoring outstanding individuals and organizations, and fundraising.

NABA-AZ was founded in 2007 and according to www.naba-az.com is "a nonprofit organization created to advance and improve the practice of Indian law and promote the professional development of its members."

NABA-AZ members include Native American and non-Native American attorneys, law students, advocates and other legal professionals."

Jeffery Harmon, NABA-AZ President, started

off the awards presentations by recognizing Kathleen Rosier as "Member of the Year." "One of the main reasons I'm standing here today is because of Kate [Rosier]," Harmon said.

The "Community Service Leadership Award" went to the Casey Family Programs, Indian Child Welfare Program, and the "Lifetime Achievement Award" was accepted by Robert N. Clinton on behalf of Kevin Gover, director of the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of the American Indian.

The evening also included auctions, which raised funds for the Seven Generations Scholarships, and a special recognition of the founding NABA-AZ Board Members in honor of the organization's 10th anniversary. "We just want to honor them and thank them for their leadership and for their commitment to the practice of law here in the state of Arizona and the greater Native American community," said Diandra Benally, NABA-AZ boardmember. The honorees were Rodney Lewis, Linda Benally, Patty Ferguson-Bohnee and Denten Robinson. Marnie Hodahkwen and Kerry Patterson were unable to attend.

The evening shifted from the work of past and current leaders to the encouragement of current students studying law. NABA-AZ named 11 law students to receive their scholarship including Pete Sabori, District 6, who is attending the James E. Rogers College of Law at the University of Arizona. Sabori, who will be graduating in May of 2018, was honored to be a recipient and said, "I consider every day in law school a gift."

Sabori has worked for the Colorado River Indian Tribes and Pascua Yaqui Tribe and was encouraged by the support from NABA-AZ. "You have days where you doubt whether or not you can do it, and coming to an event like this is good for reinforcement," Sabori said.

A scholarship committee selected the recipients based on the applications each student submitted. The scholarships are for \$1,000 each.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis was among the final speakers and he thanked the law professionals for representing tribes on important issues while encouraging the next generation of attorneys. "When you graduate, you're an asset to building the Indian legal community," Gov. Lewis said.

According to NABA-AZ, since 2008 they've awarded over \$65,000 in scholarships. In addition to Sabori the recipients were Sarah Crawford, Meredith Duarte, Brian Garcia, Alexander Mallory, James Mowdy, Dylan Raintree, Rani Williams, Candace Begody, Daune Cardenas, and Francisco Olea.



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NABA-AZ honored the founding boardmembers on Sept. 9. From left Jeffery Harmon, Denten Robinson, Rodney Lewis, Patty Ferguson-Bohnee, Linda Benally, and Diandra Benally.

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Behavioral Health hosts a unique conference for suicide prevention



Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

Super heroes are often seen on the big screen, they are tough, brave and able to overcome the most formidable of obstacles.

In the Gila River Indian Community there are many heroes, some of which don't wear a cape or dawn a flashy costume, but are like anyone of us, a common citizen of the Community.

The Gila River Health Care Behavioral Health Service prevention program has come up with a novel way of instilling the qualities of a super hero with Community youth at the Resilience Con 2017 held at the District 5 Multipurpose Building on Sept. 7.

BHS Prevention & Education Specialist Anna Pacheco said the workshop is about coming together and supporting each other, from the working professional to the youth, it's about overcoming the obstacles found in life.

The all-day workshop was also meant to recognize Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month during the month of September.

Although, the topic of suicide is a sensitive subject to discuss, it presents opportunities for community youth and professionals to come together to promote the positive concepts like resiliency and empowerment.

"We wanted to host an event like this to show the youth how strong they are and to promote the idea of empowerment," said Pacheco.

"That treatment is possible, help is possible and that hope is there and a big part of what is resilience and how strong the Community can be," she said, "We want to focus on the strengths and positives so of that we can say 'yes to life,' and come together to promote life and promote resilience."

Throughout the day four breakout sessions were hosted on different topics meant to promote key strengths the youth can tap into to become more resilient, such as Overcoming Obstacles, Bounce back and Get Stronger, Jeopardy of Cope and Chasing Hope.

"The obstacle course... the whole meaning behind that is overcoming obstacles, so doing an obstacle course and talking about being able to overcome the obstacles in our life."

"Even making Chumuth with Dewskie, a local food vendor, is about coming together and socializing and talking with each other.... you know [we] talk to each other while having fun and when we are coming together and making Chumuth," said Pacheco, "We can also talk, if we are hurting or struggling and need someone to talk to." "It'll be amazing for them to takeaway a special skill, it's the main purpose for having a special day set aside for [them]," she said.

Pacheco said it is important for anyone, who is interested in learning more about coping and resiliency skills, should seek out the trainings offered by BHS. She said workshops like the ASIST trainings, which stands for Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training are offered for adults who are interested in suicide prevention strategies. The trainings last one hour to four hours or more, covering more extensive topics, that provide mental first aid to individuals in need of assistance.

The ASIST workshop for adults is more in-depth training that is free to attend within the Community. Pacheco said, "Training is offered every month, not just in September. The more that people are trained, the safer our environment becomes, and, the call for action for each of us to learn suicide prevention skills is important."

Anna Pacheco presents at Resilience Con 2017, which was held at the District 5 Multipurpose Building on Sept. 7.

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District 6 Elders join United American Indian Involvement for Indian Day in L.A.



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GRIC members pose with L.A. City Council member Mitch O'Farrell who helped change Columbus Day in favor of Indigenous Peoples Day in the City of Los Angeles.



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District 6 Elders recently joined United American Indian Involvement for the 16th Annual American Indian Day Gathering on Saturday, Sept. 9 at Griffith Park, Los Angeles, Calif.

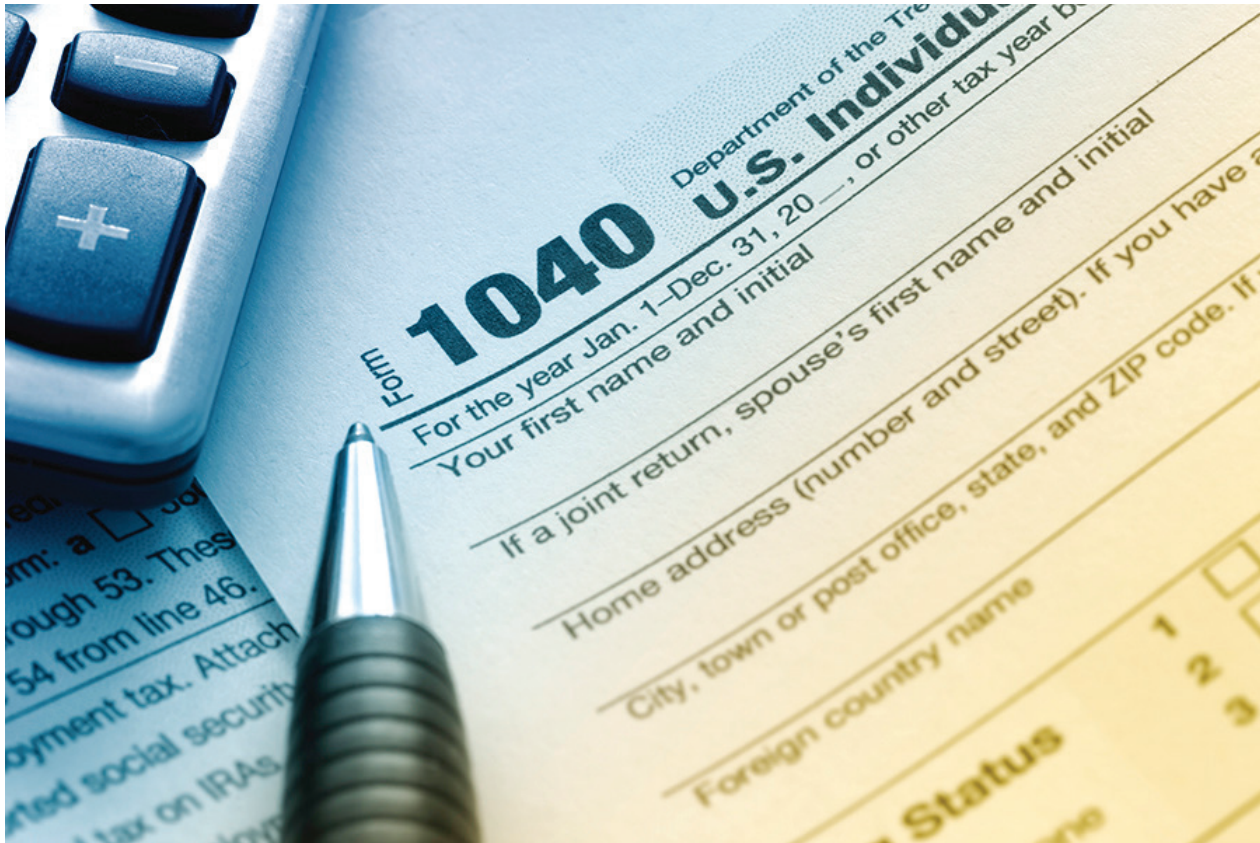
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Community

The Gila River Indian Community is looking for volunteers to provide free tax preparation and help to their neighbors and other area residents in 2018.

The IRS sponsors the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs. These two programs offer free tax help across the country for people with low-to-moderate incomes, senior citizens, persons with disabilities, those with limited English proficiency and Native Americans. This year, VITA and TCE volunteers prepared more than 3.5 million federal tax returns for all types of taxpayers at no cost. Tax volunteers can and do make a difference in their community.

Here are five reasons to become a VITA or TCE tax volunteer:



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Volunteers our needed to provide tax preparation services in 2018.

1. Flexible hours. Volunteers generally serve an average of three to five hours per week. The programs are usually open from mid-to-late-January through the tax filing deadline in April with a few sites open all year.
2. VITA and TCE sites are often nearby. Over 11,000 sites were set up in neighborhoods all over the country for this past filing season. These free tax help sites are located in nearby community centers, libraries, schools, shopping

malls and other similar areas with flexible hours.

3. No prior experience needed. Volunteers receive specialized training and often serve in a variety of roles. VITA and TCE programs want volunteers of all backgrounds and ages as well as individuals who are fluent in another language.
4. Free tax law training and materials. Tax volunteers receive training materials at no charge. The tax law training covers preparing basic federal tax returns electronically and learning about tax deductions, credits and allowable expenses that benefit eligible taxpayers.
5. Continuing education credits for tax pros. Enrolled Agents and non-credentialed tax return preparers can earn continuing education credits when volunteering as a VITA/

TCE instructor, quality reviewer or tax return preparer. Go to this IRS Fact Sheet for more information on Continuing Education Credits.

Taxpayers who volunteer are joining a program that has helped millions of people file tax returns at no cost for more than 40 years. Taxpayers who volunteer make a difference. This is people helping people and it's that simple.

Here are some of the volunteer roles needed at the Gila River Indian Community free tax preparation site:

Greeter/Screener – You greet everyone visiting the site to create a pleasant atmosphere. You screen taxpayers to determine the type of assistance they need and confirm they have the necessary documents to complete their tax returns. Tax law certification is not required for this position.

Tax Preparer – You complete and successfully certify in tax law training, including the use of electronic filing software, to provide free tax return preparation for eligible taxpayers.

Quality Reviewer – You review tax returns completed by volunteer tax preparers, ensuring that every taxpayer receives top quality service and that the tax returns are error-free. You must be tax law certified at least at the Intermediate level.

To become a VITA tax volunteer, for the Gila River Indian Community please call (520) 562-9550 or contact Debra Baubie at debra.baubie@gric.nsn.us or Dena Thomas at dena.thomas@gric.nsn.us.

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- * Create a Legal Services Office to provide advice and representation.
- * Establish a Bar Association for attorneys and advocates.
- * Propose laws that set judges' qualifications and duties.
- * Vigorously enforce child support orders.
- * Issue child support orders for children who are in a relative's custody.
- * Establish Grandparents' visitation rights.
- * Longer sentences and no early release for repeat offenders.
- * Increase substance abuse treatment as an alternative to jail.
- * Ensure victims have a voice in the justice system.

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Political Science and
Classics Studies,
University of Arizona

Law Degree,
Arizona State University
College of Law

Associate Judge
2006-2011

Chief Judge
2008 & 2012-2015




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Gila River Branch - Sacaton

FALL BREAK

October 23rd - 27th

FREE for enrolled members of Gila River!
\$5 per day for non-community members
 Youth Hours: 8^{am} - 5^{pm} / Teen Hours: 10^{am} - 6^{pm}

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Sunday 9/17		Monday 9/18	Tuesday 9/19	Wednesday 9/20	Thursday 9/21	Friday 9/22	Saturday 9/23	
12:00pm	Looking from Our Roots - Amanecer/El Ultimo	2017 YOUTH CONFERENCE: MAR 5 PRESENTATION-Gov. Lewis & Rodney Lewis	2017 YOUTH CONFERENCE - SPEAKER: Tim Terry and SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Smokey the Bear	Regaining Food Sovereignty Tribes work toward a new model of community health.	2017 YOUTH CONFERENCE WORKSHOP "How The Rattlesnake Got It's Fangs"	K'ina Kil: The Slaver's Son Indians fought for life.	Trudell Native activist and poet John Trudell fuses his radical politics with music, writing and art.	
12:30pm	Trapichie Traditional storytelling and views.	Ravens and Eagles Naxine Weaver	Ravens and Eagles	Ravens and Eagles From Hand to Hand Part 1	Samaqan Water Stories Introduction	Rez Survival on the Rez or an uncertain future away.	Seasoned with Spirit Food Upon The Water	
1:00pm	Storytellers in Motion	Vitality Gardening Treasure Hunt	Vitality Gardening Container Gardening	Vitality Gardening Surprise	Vitality Gardening	Ravens and Eagles From Hand to Hand Part 2	Working It Out Together Flying Past Fears	
1:30pm	Native Report	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Health	Vitality Gardening Raised Garden Bed	Sivummut	
2:00pm	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	From The Spirit Sean Couchie	From The Spirit April Mercredi	From The Spirit John Rombough	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	From The Spirit Abraham Anghik Ruben	People of the Pines Uncharted Territory	
2:30pm	Urban Native Girl Questioning Everything	Working It Out Together Flying Past Fears	Indian Pride Gaming & Casinos	On Native Ground: Youth Report	The New Zealanders Meet the most remote family who live 100km from the nearest shop.	Storytellers in Motion	Making Regalia	
3:00pm	Goshen The health benefits of safeguarding their way of life. Take part in preserving the native seeds and running traditions.	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	First Talk Hopi Nation	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	
3:30pm	First Talk Indian Romance	First Talk Racial Passing	First Talk Relationships	First Talk Relationships	First Talk Hopi Nation	First Talk Healing Process	The New Zealanders Meet the most remote family who live 100km from the nearest shop.	
4:00pm	If We Dance Midnight Sun Pow Wow	Native Report	People of the Pines American California	Making Regalia	People of the Pines Native Resistance	Make Prayers to the Raven		
4:30pm	2017 YOUTH CONFERENCE: MAR 5 PRESENTATION-Gov. Lewis & Rodney Lewis	Still Tibet Exposing a vulnerable civilization with an extraordinary mystical essence.	Regaining Food Sovereignty Tribes work toward a new model of community health.	Awa O Gbe The ochre of the earth, the sounds of vocal and instrumental music.	K'ina Kil: The Slaver's Son Indians fought for life.	Trudell Native activist and poet John Trudell fuses his radical politics with music, writing and art.	Indigenous Focus Origins	
5:00pm					Rez Survival on the Rez or an uncertain future		Dabiyiyuu Bush Medicine	
5:30pm								
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6:00pm	Native Voice TV Eddie Madril 2	Democracy Now! Discussions with perspectives rarely heard from in mainstream media.	Democracy Now! Discussions with perspectives rarely heard from in mainstream media.	Democracy Now! Discussions with perspectives rarely heard from in mainstream media.	Democracy Now! Discussions with perspectives rarely heard from in mainstream media.	Democracy Now! Discussions with perspectives rarely heard from in mainstream media.	Bound to Tradition	
6:30pm	On Native Ground: Youth Report	Wapos Bay All's Fair	Wapos Bay As The Bannock Browns	Wapos Bay Guardians	Wapos Bay All Access	Wapos Bay As Long As The River Flows	Native Report	
7:00pm	Aboriginal Adventures	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	Hit The Ice Drawing on Experience	
7:30pm	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	The Other Side Maymont: Give Us A Name	Urban Native Girl Walking w/our Sisters	Moose T.V. Jack Sprat	Native Shorts X Great Northern Mtn.	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	
8:00pm	Native Shorts X Great Northern Mtn.	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	Indigenous Focus Origins	Rez Rides Oldsmobile 'donk'	2017 YOUTH CONFERENCE KEYNOTE	Mixed Blessings Dead Goose	
8:30pm	"How the Rattlesnake Got It's Fangs" Story of Bullying	2017 YOUTH CONFERENCE: MAR 5 PRESENTATION-Gov. Lewis & Rodney Lewis	The Price of Peace Sent to prison for weapon offences, Tame's legal case is mired in a legacy of colonial animosity.	Journey of Hope Transforming journey of Cree youth at risk, taken place in the wilderness.	On Native Ground: Youth Report Standing Rock Special	SPEAKER: Ben Smiley followed by the Awards Ceremony	Moose T.V. Jack Sprat	
9:00pm	Ancestral Languages Heard Again	Trudell Native activist and poet John Trudell fuses his radical politics with music, writing and art.	The Hazda: Last of the First Explore humanity's origins in Africa's Rift Valley by observing members of the Hadza tribe, one of the world's oldest hunter-gatherer groups.	2017 YOUTH CONFERENCE: Gov. Lewis Enis, Tim Terry, Awards Ceremony	Jaynelle Despite a childhood of alcoholism, drugs, violence, she strives for a better life for her kids.	Incas Remembered Performed brain surgery, built irrigation canals, made agricultural discoveries.	I Am Chut Wutty Determined to fight illegal practices of logging, Wutty is shot dead.	
9:30pm	Into The Shadows Many become 'invisible', and vulnerable to abuse, violence & discrimination.	The Ball Each culture celebrates the beauty and history of traditional games in contrasting societies.			Behind The Blue Veil Son of a chief journeys across Sahara to save his culture, the blue people of Sahara before they disappear.	Unshackled Majestic beauty, peace and balance of Earth Mother rapidly being desecrated by the human hand for greed.	The Native Mascot Issue	
10:00pm	Languages of Victory						Torn Looters unreasonably destroy an ancient site.	
10:30pm	Treading Water						Cousins Across The Sea Searching mysterious burials, suppressed writings, and unearthing ancient artifacts.	
11:00pm								
11:30pm								

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ACTION SHEET

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

CALL TO ORDER

The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday September 6, 2017, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Council Secretary Shannon White at 9:06 a.m. Council Secretary White informed the Council Governor Lewis was on Bereavement and Lt. Governor Antone was on travel.

MOTION WAS MADE AND SECOND TO NOMINATE ARZIE HOGG

CHAIRMAN HOGG PROCEEDED WITH THE AGENDA

INVOCATION

Provided by Councilman Terrance Evans

ROLL CALL

Sign-in Sheet Circulated

Executive Officers Absent:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Lt. Governor Monica Antone

Council Members Present:

D1-Joey Whitman, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Carolyn Williams (9:45), Rodney Jackson; D4-Nada Celaya, Barney Enos, Jr., Pamela Johnson; D5-Janice Stewart (9:40), Marlin Dixon, Franklin Pablo, Sr.; D6-Charles Goldtooth, Terrance Evans; D7-Devin Redbird (10:00)

Council Members Absent:

D4-Jennifer Allison; D5-Robert Stone; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVED AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS (Limit to 5-minutes)

REPORTS

1. Skyline Gila River School Quarter 3 Report SY 2016-2017

Presenter: Vaughn Flannigan

REPORT HEARD

2. 2017 Broadacres Lease Development Transaction Documents

Presenter: Ronald Rosier

REPORT HEARD

3. Travel Report-FY17 3rd Quarter

Presenters: Suzanne Johns, Treasurer Robert G. Keller

REPORT HEARD

4. Haskell Osife-Antone American Legion Auxiliary Unit 51 FY17 3rd Quarter Donation Financial & Summary Report

Presenter: Alison Anderson

REPORT HEARD

5. SDPI Community Garden Project Plan

Presenter: Alvaro Cañez

REPORT HEARD

6. Opioid Abuse Data

Presenters: Dr. Jessica Doney, Susan Kelley

REPORT HEARD

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER

EXECUTIVE SESSION

7. The Center For Applied Research, Inc. Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: Robert Robertson, Chad Linse

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

8. Public Policy Partner FY-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Meghaen Dell'Artino

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. Dorsey & Whitney, LLP-Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Mary J. Streitz, Esq.

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. Gookin Hydrology, PLC-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: T. Allen J. Gookin

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

11. Greenberg Traurig FY-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Brian J. Schulman, Esq.

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. Harvey Economics FY-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Edward Harvey

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

13. Franzoy Consulting FY-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: C. Eugene Franzoy

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

14. Hardee Consulting FY-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: James Hardee

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

15. Peter Mock Groundwater Consulting, Inc. FY-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Peter A. Mock

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. Rothstein Law Firm FY-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Eric N. Dahlstrom, Esq.

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. Osborn Maledon, P.A. FY-2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: David B. Rosenbaum, Mary R. O'Grady

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

[COUNCILMAN ARZIE HOGG CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 10:30 A.M.]

18. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: Kenneth Manuel, Interim Oversight & Planning Committee

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

19. Gaming Commission General Report To The Community Council For July 2017 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Serena Joaquin, Courtney Moyah

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

20. Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld FY2017 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: Don Pongrace, Jason Hauter

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution Approving The Gila River Indian Community's

2017-2018 Tribal Membership And Designating Delegates In

The National Congress Of American Indians (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Shannon White

APPROVED

2. A Resolution Approving The Fifth Amendment To Business

Lease BL00102007, A Lease Between Certain Allotted Landowners Of Land Within The Gila River Indian Reservation, The Gila River Indian Community And Pecos &

40th St.-Zenith #2, LLC And Approving The First Amendment

And Second Amendment To Substitute Lease No.

SL01102007, And Approving The Substitute Lease No.

SL02102007, And Approving The Supplement To The Development Agreement (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval; NRSC concurs

with the correction of changing Community to Reservation;

EDSC concurs)

Presenter: Ronald Rosier

APPROVED

3. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing Amendment #1

To The October 1, 2016 Agreement Between The Gila

River

Indian Community And Yoder & Langford, P.C. (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Linus Everling, Thomas Murphy

APPROVED

4. A Resolution Approving Implementation Of The Fuel Reduction And Native Plant Communities Restoration Project

(NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval; CRSC concurs)

Presenters: Dale Ohnmeiss, Russell Benford

APPROVED

5. A Resolution Approving The Pima Agency's Programmatic

Burn Plan For Piles To Further Promote Beneficial Ecosystem Management On The Gila River Indian

Reservation (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval; CRSC concurs)

Presenters: Dale Ohnmeiss, Russell Benford

APPROVED

6. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment of

Bradley Johnathon Blaine Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation

for approval with changes)

Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED

7. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment

Of Teresa Laura Juan Into The Gila River Indian Community

(LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval with changes)

Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED

8. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment

Of Nehemiah Alexander Williams Into The Gila River Indian

Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation

for approval with changes)

Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED

9. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment

Of Willayna Morago Into The Gila River Indian Community

(LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval

with changes)

Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED

10. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment

Of Lucille Mae Gallegos Into The Gila River Indian

Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation

for approval with changes)

Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED

11. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment

Of Aaron Quintin Maxwell Lewis Into The Gila River Indian

Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation

for approval with changes)

Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED

12. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment

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SACATON SCHOOL DISTRICT 18 JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB DESCRIPTION
JOB TITLE: Elementary Kindergarten Teacher
POSITION SUMMARY:
 To create a flexible learning environment that is conducive for teaching, learning, and personal growth; to establish effective rapport with students; to motivate students to develop skills,

attitudes, and knowledge needed to provide a solid foundation for upper grades in accordance with each student's ability; to establish good relationships with parents/guardians and with other staff members; to work in a partnership with students, staff, parents/guardians and the community in accordance with the district's vision and mission to promote student achievement. To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below

are representative of the knowledge, skills and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.
JOB GOAL:
 To support the District's vision, mission, core values, goals, procedures, and policies in the best interest of the students by professionally carrying out assigned duties and participating in the improvement and refinement of related areas. To coordinate program resources to promote the educational

development of each student.
CERTIFICATES, LICENSES AND REGISTRATIONS REQUIRED:
 • Arizona Teacher Certificate (K-8)
 • Authorization to work in the United States as defined by the Immigration Reform Act of 1986 • Arizona Department of Education certification requirements • ESSA (Highly Qualified) qualifications • Bachelor's Degree or higher • Teaching experience preferred • SEI endorsement preferred
REQUIREMENTS:
 • Adheres to the District's vision, mis-

sion, core values, and goals in collaboration with staff. • Demonstrates the ability and the desire to provide outstanding customer service. • Demonstrates a high regard for confidential and sensitive information.
Position Type: Teacher Department: Kindergarten
Salary Schedule: Certified Reports to: Principal
Term of Employment: 10 months
Location: Elementary School
Approved by: Sacaton Governing Board July 27, 2017

COMMENTS:
 This job description is intended to be representative of the work performed by employees in this position and is not all-inclusive. The omission of a specific duty or responsibility will not preclude it from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical extension of position responsibilities as defined by the supervisor.

SACATON SCHOOL DISTRICT 18 JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Executive Administrative Assistant
POSITION SUMMARY
 To assist the Superintendent and Governing Board in the task of providing leadership for achieving and ensuring

the best possible education for all students; to perform a variety of office work management, records, and communication tasks in furtherance of the Superintendent/Governing Board goals, objectives, and responsibilities. To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and

ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.
JOB GOAL: To support the mission of the district goals, procedures, and policies in the best interest of the student by professionally carrying out assigned duties and participating in the improvement and refinement of related areas. To coordinate program

resources to promote the development of each student.
CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, AND REGISTRATIONS REQUIRED:
 • Must have the authorization to work in the United States as defined by the Immigration Reform Act of 1986.
 • Minimum of one year Executive Administrative experience required. • Experience working with Governing Board preferred. • Experience as a

secretary in an educational system preferred.
REQUIREMENTS:
 • Adheres to the District vision, mission, core values and goals in collaboration with staff. • Demonstrates the ability and desire to provide outstanding customer service. • Demonstrates a high regard for confidential and sensitive information.
COMMENTS:

This job description is intended to be representative of the work performed by employees in this position and is not all-inclusive. The omission of a specific duty or responsibility will not preclude it from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical extension of position responsibilities as defined by the supervisor.

SACATON SCHOOL DISTRICT 18 JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Payroll/Insurance Clerk
Position Type: Classified
Department: Financial
Salary Schedule: Classified
Reports to: Chief Financial Officer
Term of Employment: 12 months

Location: District Office
Approved by: Sacaton Governing Board September 12, 2017
POSITION SUMMARY
 To assist by performing a variety of office work management and communication tasks relating to department functions. Assists the Chief Financial Officer by performing a variety of office work, specifically payroll and insurance, to facilitate the smooth operation of the department. To perform

this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.
JOB GOAL: To support the mission of the district goals, procedures, and policies in the best interest of the

student by professionally carrying out assigned duties and participating in the improvement and refinement of related areas.
CERTIFICATES, LICENSES, AND REGISTRATIONS REQUIRED:
 • Must have the authorization to work in the United States as defined by the Immigration Reform Act of 1986.
 • Certificate from college or technical school preferred. • High school diploma and three to six months related ex-

perience or training. • Equivalent combination of education and experience.
REQUIREMENTS:
 • Adheres to the District vision, mission, core values and goals in collaboration with staff. • Demonstrates the ability and desire to provide outstanding customer service. • Demonstrates a high regard for confidential and sensitive information.

COMMENTS:
 This job description is intended to be representative of the work performed by employees in this position and is not all-inclusive. The omission of a specific duty or responsibility will not preclude it from the position if the work is similar, related, or a logical extension of position responsibilities as defined by the supervisor.

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Of Ba:ag Nuhkuththam Miguel Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation

for approval with changes)
Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED
 13. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment

Of Mahsig Joyla Miguel Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with a recommendation

for approval with changes)
Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED
 14. A Resolution Approving The Gila River Indian Community

Revenue Internal Audit's Annual Audit Plan For Fiscal Year

2018 (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to forward the item to Council in Executive Session)

Presenters: Dena Thomas, Robert G. Keller

APPROVED
 15. A Resolution Approving The Gila River Indian Community

Gaming Internal Audit's Annual Audit Plan For Fiscal Year 2018 (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to forward the

item to Council in Executive Session)

Presenters: Dena Thomas, Robert G. Keller

ORDINANCES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Tribal Unity

Days On September 12-13, 2017 (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council utilizing dues and delegations; H&SSC concurs)

Presenters: Linus Everling, Thomas Murphy
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL FOR MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL UTILIZING DUES AND DELEGATIONS

2. Native Language Teacher Certification (Executive Session)

(ESC forwards to Council under Unfinished Business in Executive Session, with a recommendation for approval; CRSC concurs)

Presenter: Anthony Gray
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE
 [ADDENDUM TO AGENDA]

3. District 6 Community Concern Prayer Group
Presenter: Councilman Terrance Evans

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DISPENSE CHAIRMAN HOGG DIRECTED COUNCIL SECRETARY WHITE TO REQUEST THE LAND USE PLANNING & ZONING DEPARTMENT STAFF BE PRESENT.

[CHAIRMAN ARZIE HOGG CALLED FOR A 1-HOUR LUNCH BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 1:01 P.M.]

[ADDENDUM TO AGENDA]

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SUSPEND THE RULES ADDING INCIDENT UPDATE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND FOLLOW UP TO THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MOTION OF OCTOBER 19, 2016

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

4. Incident Update (Executive Session)

Presenters: Gila River Police Department, Community Manager

ITEM HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

5. Follow Up to the Community Council Motion of October 19, 2016

Presenters: Community Council
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT THE MATERIALS PROVIDED

NEW BUSINESS

1. Gila River Farms FY16 Audit (G&MSC motioned to forward the item to Council)

Presenter: Anthony Gerlach
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. Gila River Health Care FY16 External Audit (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to forward the item to Council in Executive Session; H&SSC concurs)

Presenters: REDW Representatives
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

3. The Caring House FY16 External Audit (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to forward the item to Council in Executive Session; H&SSC concurs)

Presenters: REDW Representatives
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

4. NAFOA Conference October 2-3, 2017, Tulsa, Oklahoma

(G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council for consideration utilizing dues and delegations)
Presenters: Government & Management Standing Committee

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL FOR MEMBERS OF

COMMUNITY COUNCIL UTILIZING DUES AND DELEGATIONS

5. Global Gaming Expo October 3-5, 2017, Las Vegas, Nevada (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council

for consideration utilizing dues and delegations)
Presenters: Government & Management Standing Committee

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MINUTES

1. July 19, 2017 (Regular)

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2. August 2, 2017 (Regular)

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3. August 21, 2017 (Special)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

> LSC SPECIAL MEETING, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2017, 9AM

>GERALD BROWN FUNERAL SERVICES, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2017, BROWN RESIDENCE


>PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR JOHN LOPEZ'S FAMILY


ADJOURNMENT


MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:37 P.M.


* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)


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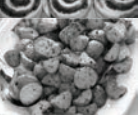
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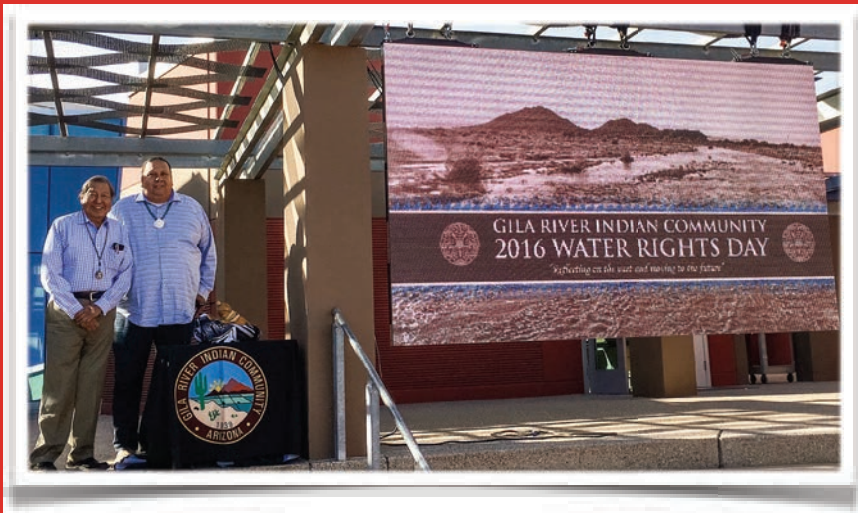
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Protecting Our Children

- More resources to protect our children in Foster placement.
- Creation of the Family Advocacy Center for Community families in crisis.

Fighting for Our Water

- Issued proclamation making 2015 "Year of Honoring Our Water Settlement."
- Protecting Community's Water Settlement against drought.
- MAR5 Project "Bringing back the River" initiative.

Defending Our Sovereignty

- Fighting for Indian Child Welfare Act.
- Resolving West Valley Casino Dispute.
- Negotiating with the state for increased gaming opportunities.
- 202/South Mountain Freeway Lawsuit filed and continuing at 9th Circuit Federal Court.

Planning for Our Future

- ASU Sustainable Housing Initiative to design and construct energy efficient homes based on traditional materials.
- Climate Change Planning to protect our Community.
- Supporting and strengthening Gila River Farms.

Advocating for Our Veterans

- Creation of the Community's first Veteran's and Family Services Unit.
- Held the Community's first Veteran's Summit.

Education and Opportunity

- Held the Community's first Education Summit to hear from the People.
- Wi-Fi Initiative linking all 7 District Centers.
- Advocating for federal government to fund school construction for Community's BIE schools.
- Creating Community's first Day Labor Program.



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