



Gov. Lewis among honorees at the American Indian Excellence in Leadership awards

Gila River Indian Community governor named "Man of the Year," accepts award on behalf of "past leaders"

Kyle Knox
Gila River Indian News

The Phoenix Indian Center celebrated its 37th Annual Arizona American Indian Excellence in Leadership Awards, where Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis was the recipient of the Man of the Year Award. The event was held at the Scottsdale Resort at McCormick Ranch in Scottsdale, Ariz., Wednesday, Nov. 13.

The event brought together 350 people for this year's ceremony. Patricia Hibbler, Phoenix Indian Center CEO, said, "I look forward to everyone connecting and, most importantly, hearing from the awards recipients and why they are so gracious in receiving their award."

Upon receiving the award, Gov. Lewis stated, "There has been monumental change, but there is still more work to be done." These are the words bestowed to Gov. Lewis by his father, Rodney B. Lewis. For that, Gov. Lewis said, "I accept this award on behalf of all my past leaders of my people, of the Akimel O'otham and Pee Posh including those current and past elected leaders."

"My proudest role is to be a father to my son, Daniel Lewis," said Gov. Lewis. In addition to recognizing his family in attendance, Gov. Lewis recognized and expressed deep appreciation for his staff present. Gov. Lewis also acknowledged the GRIC

Urban Members Association and thanked the Phoenix Indian Center for providing services for those that reside off the reservation.

Thirteen awards were given to statewide nominees. Ten of the 13 were present to receive their awards this year. Musician Gabriel Ayala, last year's Man of the Year, emceed the event alongside Ms. Jowun Ben, last year's Outstanding High School Student awardee. Ira H. Hayes American Legion Post No.84 provided the posting and retirement of the colors for the evening.

2019 Honorees:

Kent C. Ware Award – Rick Baker (Hopi) – Physical Education Teacher, Hopi Junior Senior



Governor (second from left) with the 2019 Excellence in Leadership Award recipients in Scottsdale, Ariz. Kyle Knox/GRIN

High School Phyllis J. Big Pond Award – Tia Bruised Head (Walla Walla/

Yakama/ Diné) – Counseling Fac-

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Veterans Day celebrated in GRIC



Blackwater Community School began the Veterans Day parade in District 1. Emma Hughes/GRIN

Annual parade in District 1 highlights servicemen and women

Emma Hughes
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Community members and spectators gathered to honor and celebrate the service of all U.S. military veterans. On Nov. 11, the fifth annual Veterans Day event in District 1 began with a fun run and walk. Participants were awarded T-shirts once they finished the run/walk that varied from 1, 2 and 3 miles.

In honor of veterans, a parade began at the District 1 Multi-purpose Building. CPL. Sage Etsitty was the grand marshal, "I'm very honored" said Etsitty. The parade's theme was "Youth of Today – Tomorrow's Warriors" and included a flyover before ending at the Keli Akimel

Ballpark for special presentations and a meal for families and visitors.

Vendors and informational booths were setup along the park, jumping castles were available for children, and pictures of veterans were pinned along the fence. Speakers including District 1 Community Council Representatives Arzie Hogg and Joey Whitman. Special acknowledgments were given by David Anderson, thanking the Haskell Osife-Antone Post 51, Auxiliary Unit 51 and D1 Community.

Parade winners were also announced in four categories. This year's judges were Beckilyn Gonzales, Arzie Hogg, and District 3 Council Representative

Rodney Jackson.
Originality: Angelo Lucero U.S.M.C.
Patriotism: Pee Posh Veterans Association
Symbolism: Ben Johnson U.S. Army
School Support: Blackwater School GATE Program



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GRIC member recognized at L.A. City Hall ceremony



Omerlene Thompson (right) with her award at the L.A. City Hall. From left Councilman Mitch O'Farrell, Joseph Quintana and Thompson. Photo Courtesy of UAII

Gila River Indian Community member, Omerlene Thompson, has been selected as a 2019 American Indian Heritage Month Honoree by the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission (LANAIC). Thompson has been working for the United American Indian Involvement

(UAII) in Los Angeles, Calif., where she's assisted urban Natives in the area for over 30 years. Thompson will also be recognized at the LANAIC 4th Annual Pow Wow on Nov. 16, at Grand Park in Downtown Los Angeles. Read more about Thompson in the next issue of the GRIN. - GRIN Staff

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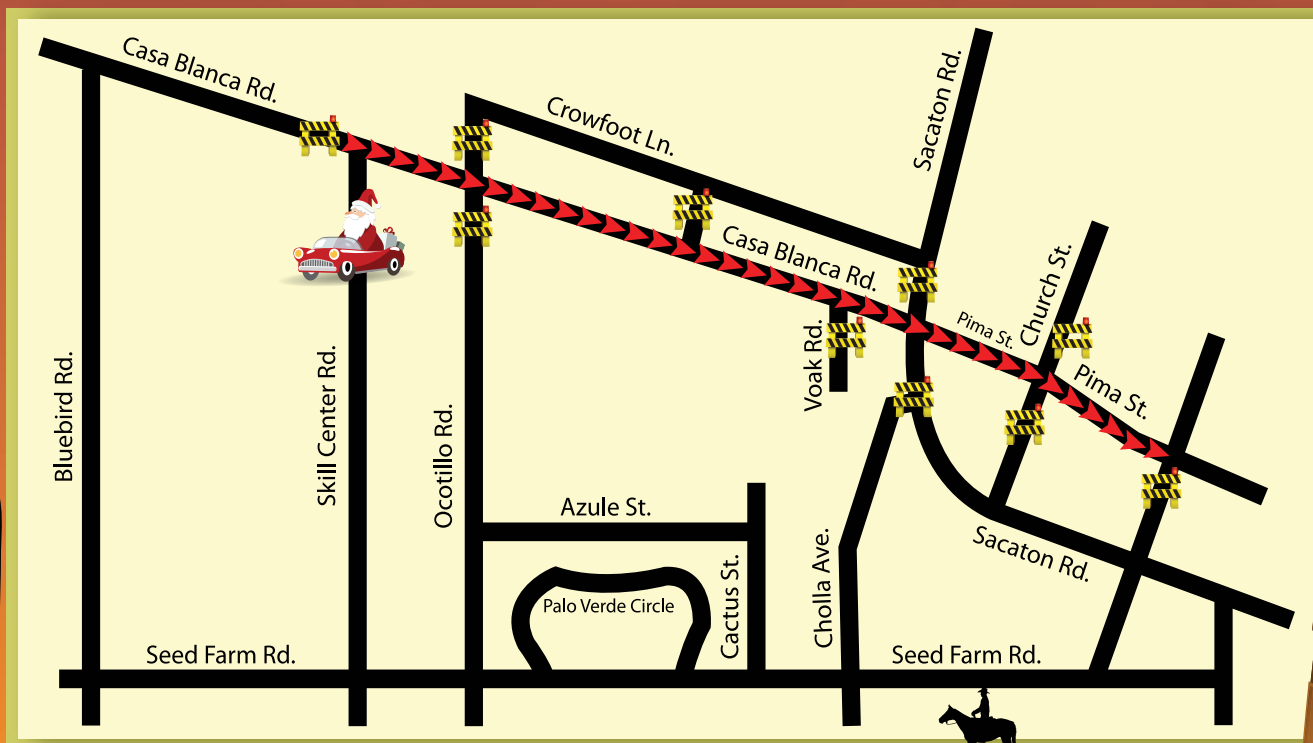
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Genesis Program presents brand new bikes to families at D6 event



35 balance bicycles for boys and girls to learn how to ride. Kyle Knox/GRIN



Meadow Lewis (left), Carla Al-Harhi (right) and Amir Dennis before taking to the walking path. Kyle Knox/GRIN

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November is recognized as National Diabetes Awareness Month, and on Nov. 8, the Genesis Program hosted their second Bike Rally at Kalka Park in District 6 encouraging families to stay active and moving. The Genesis program presented 100 bikes for youth nine months to seven-years-old to receive. Families also received helmets and decorations for the bikes in addition to a small meal for everyone in attendance.

Program Manager Kyrie Dukepoo said, "the program hopes to provide a different type of activity for families to enjoy being outside and being physically active together. With offering bikes to the children, we hope to encourage families to be more active together."

One family received a stroller bike for toddlers and was excited about the gift. Carla Al-Harhi from District 3 is grateful for the new bike and said it's a new tool for her son Amir. He's very active and the bike will be a new experience for him to enjoy.

GRPD Officer James Milano was present for the event to provide safety instructions, seat adjustments, and proper bike handling for every family that received a bike. Afterward, families were encouraged to ride the park's walking path together. Many families returned after and had their bikes adjusted based on their child's height and riding style of their children.

Kayla Kisto, Diabetes Prevention Specialist, shared that each bike had to be assembled by hand, and they required support from various GRIC departments. Both Kisto and Dukepoo acknowledge the assistance from employees within the Tribal Health Department, volunteers

from the Community, Tribal Education Department, Property & Supply, GRPD, and Facilities Maintenance.

Compared to the first year, this year was a success as they in-

creased their attendance from two dozen to 135.

Genesis will host the 2nd Annual Turkey Trot on Nov. 26 at the District 4 Service Center. This 2-mile run/walk will be the last

event for the month where participants will receive incentives and a lite meal. For more information, you can call (520) 562-1237.

Gila River Indian Community Tribal Social Services

TOY DRIVE

Collection Dates:
November 12 - December 6, 2019

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- Fire Station 426—4793 W. Pecos RD, Laveen Village, AZ
- Fire Station 423—599 East Seed Farm RD, Sacaton, AZ
- Fire Station 429—5002 North Maricopa RD, Chandler, AZ
- Fire Station 421—829 Blackwater School RD, Coolidge, AZ
- Gila River Police Department—639 W. Seed Farm RD, Sacaton, AZ
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Gila River Police Department Incident Logs

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

Gila River Police Department

Incident Log
November 03 - 09, 2019

Calls for services this week: 784

Arrest made: 29
District One- (Blackwater)

NO INCIDENTS INVOLVING PART 1 CRIME

District Two - (Sacaton Flats)

THEFT - 191106-05644 Officers were dispatched to a theft from the centers financial account. Investigation revealed that the suspect had taken an undisclosed amount of currency. The suspect was contacted and did not wish to speak to the officer after the Miranda rights were read. The reporting party would file through small claims court for restitution.

Status: Open Investigation

District Three- (Sacaton)

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - 191103-05595 Officers were dispatched to the hospital in reference to an assault that occurred. Investigation revealed that the victim and suspect were in a verbal altercation throughout the day. While having friends over and drinking alcoholic beverages the argument continued when the suspect physically assaulted the victim and began to "choke" the vic-

tim. The victim sustained injuries and informed officers the suspect would be at the residence where the incident occurred. Officers went to the residence where there was no answer. Charges have been forwarded to law office for review.

Status: Charges Forwarded

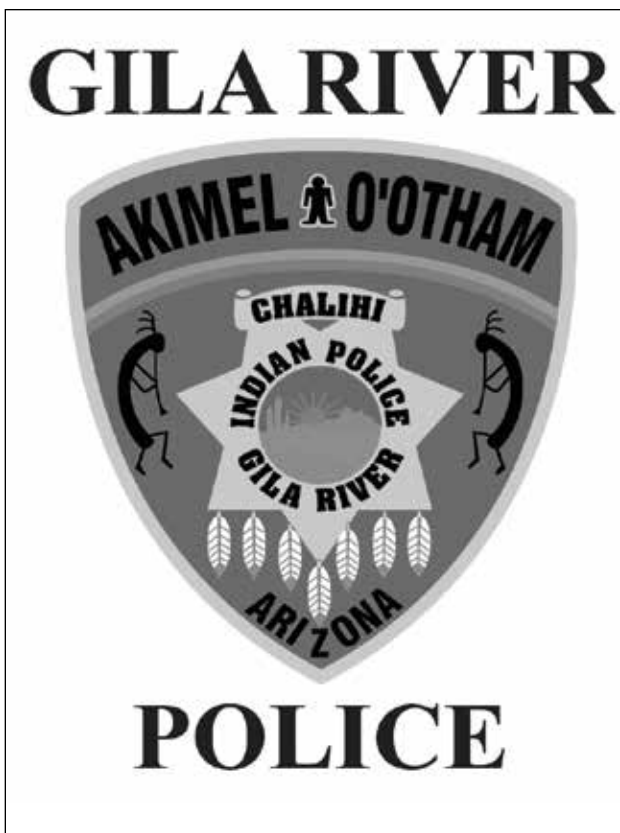
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - 191105-05621 Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to a victim that arrived with a BB gunshot wound. Investigation revealed that while the victim and family members were outside in their backyard; a family member was attempting to shoot a bird when the victim crossed the path and was shot with the BB gun accidentally. The victim stated it was an accident and did not wish to aid in prosecution.

Status: Closed
District Four-
Stotonic Area -

THEFT - 191103-05604 ~CAD~ Reporting party stated that a pair of house slippers, house keys and money were taken; the suspect was identified and but no contact was made.

Status:
Lone Butte Area

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - 191104-05606 Officers were dispatched regarding a domestic disturbance. Investigation revealed that the victim and suspect were involved in a verbal altercation in their vehicle when the victim got out of the vehicle and attempted to cross the road when the suspect accel-



erated and struck the victim with the vehicle. The victim got into the vehicle with the suspect and drove to the town of Maricopa where another argument occurred and the victim got out of the vehicle. The suspect began to drag the victim in the parking lot of Taco Bell and Bank of America when a bystander called police. The victim was transported to Chandler Regional for medical treatment; the suspect was located; placed under arrest and booked into Maricopa County Jail.

Status: Arrested and booked into jail

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - 191105-05622 Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to a domestic disturbance. Investigation revealed the suspect and the victim

were in a verbal altercation when the suspect physically assaulted the victim. The victim had extensive facial trauma and was going in and out of consciousness. The victim was transported to Chandler Regional for medical treatment and the suspect was not located at the residence. A short time later the suspect was located and taken into custody.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into jail

SEXUAL ASSAULT - 191109-05694 ~CAD~ Officers were dispatched to a telephonic traffic call involving an incident that occurred. The victim stated that a sexual assault took place at the Wild Horse Pass Casino; detectives were notified and arrived on scene to assume the investigation.

Status:
THEFT - 191103-05600 Officers were dispatched to the Phoenix Premium Outlet in reference to a theft. Contact was made with staff and the suspect that they had detained in a room. The suspect did not wish to speak with officers regarding the incident; surveillance footage was reviewed. The suspect concealed a pink Tommy Hilfiger sweater at the bottom of a bag she was carrying and attempted to leave the store when the alarm sounded. The store did wish to aid in prosecution; the suspect was detained and later cited and released to her mother; citation to appear at Kyrene Justice Court.

Status: Cite and release; sweater was recovered

THEFT - 191103-005592 Contact was made with the reporting party/victim at the Wild Horse Pass Casino. Investigation revealed the victim had to cancel debit cards due to someone possibly taking his wallet while at the casino. The victim's wallet contained cash, debit cards and a driver's license. Video surveillance was reviewed regarding the incident.

Status: Closed pending suspect identification

District Five- (Casa Blanca)

AUTO THEFT- 191108-05685 Officers were dispatched via telephonic traffic in reference to a possible theft of a vehicle. The reporting party/victim reported that a family member had requested to

borrow the victim's vehicle due to their being inoperable. The family member's boyfriend took the vehicle and never returned; phone calls and text messages went unanswered by the suspect. The vehicle was entered into NCIC as stolen after attempting to locate the vehicle. The vehicle was later recovered after the suspect left the vehicle at victim's family members residence with the keys left inside the vehicle. The vehicle was removed from NCIC after being located. The suspect was not contacted at the time of incident.

Status: Charges Forwarded

District Six - (Komatke)

AUTO THEFT- 191104-05612 Officers were dispatched to the area in reference to theft of a vehicle. Investigation revealed a truck and trailer were stolen from a lot where the vehicles were stored. The vehicle was located due to it having GPS in vehicle; the vehicle was still running with the keys in the ignition. No damages were observed and was stuck in soft dirt. The trailer was not located and entered into NCIC as stolen. Another vehicle in the lot was damaged by having a left rear window broken out. Video surveillance was observed; photos were taken of the scene and the vehicles and later uploaded into evidence.com

Status: Closed pending suspect identification

AUTO THEFT- 191105-05624 The reporting party reported that an unknown subject took a 2004 GMC truck registered to another family member that lived up north and requested to have the vehicle reported as stolen. The registered owner was contacted and signed the stolen affidavit; the vehicle was entered into NCIC as stolen. There are no suspects at the time of incident.

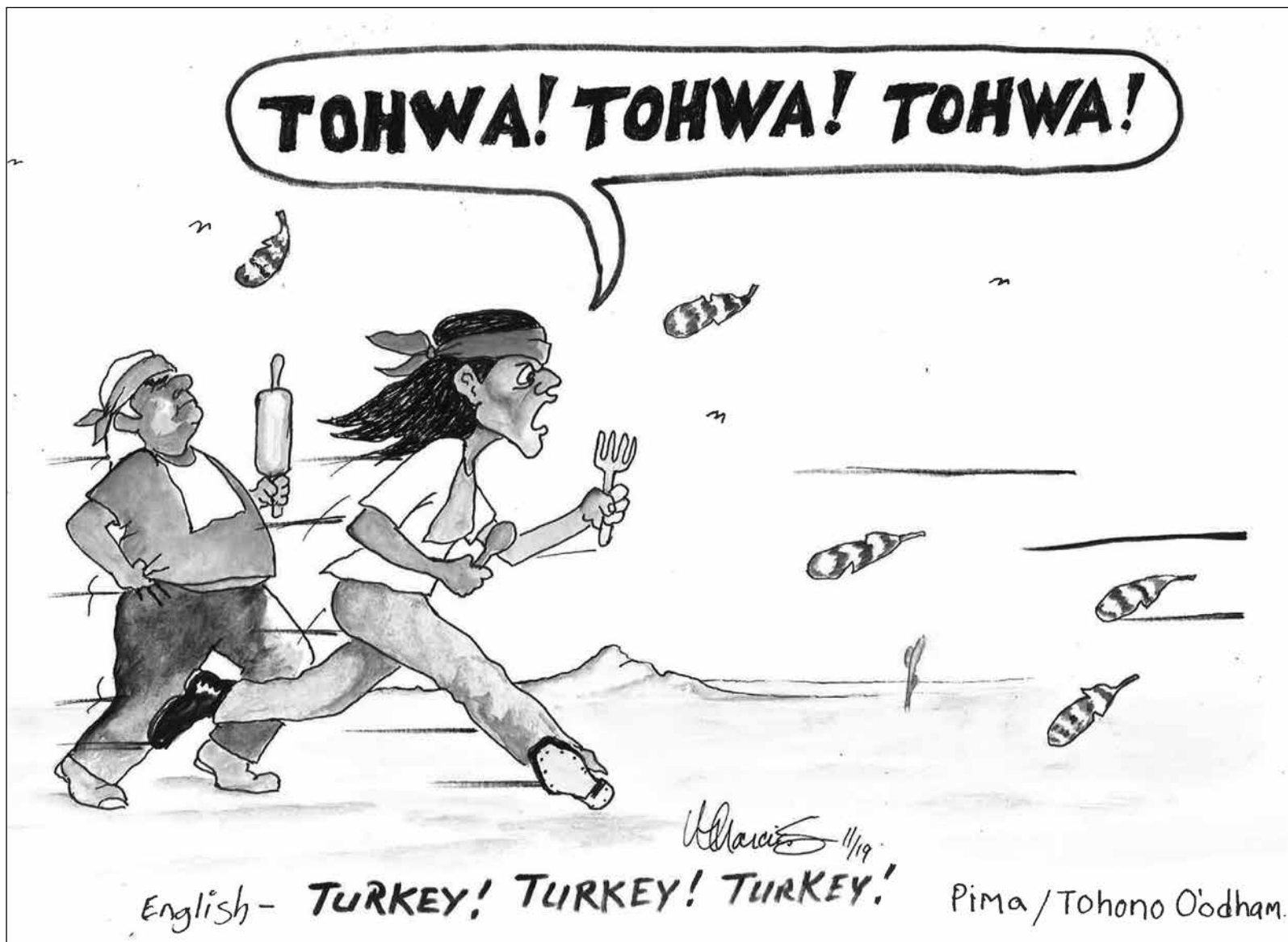
Status: Closed pending further information

THEFT - 191108-05674 Officers were dispatched to the District Six Service Center in reference to a theft. Contact was made with the reporting party/employee; investigation revealed at an unknown time a battery was stolen from a John Deere Tractor with the cables being cut and the battery taken. There were suspects at the time of incident.

Status: Closed pending suspect identification

District Seven - (Maricopa)

NO INCIDENTS INVOLVING PART 1 CRIME



English - **TURKEY! TURKEY! TURKEY!** Pima / Tohono O'odham.



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	Sunday 11/17	Monday 11/18	Tuesday 11/19	Wednesday 11/20	Thursday 11/21	Friday 11/22	Saturday 11/23	
12:00pm	Travel & Delights Bokit	Creative Native Havasupai	Creative Native Domestic Face Lift	Creative Native We Are What We Eat Pt. 1	Creative Native We Are What We Eat Pt. 2	GILA RIVER CASINO'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY	Cooking Hawaiian Style Paniolos Steak Tacos	
12:30pm	Fit First	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk	Fit First	
1:00pm	Native Planet - Namibia Why the oldest culture on the planet, have created a vast area to protect themselves from the outside world.	Every Emotion Costs The reality of returning home on the rez to face family, community and death.	MISS GILA RIVER'S ROYALTY - GILA RIVER'S GOT TALENT EVENT	Potlatch Keepers The elders ask their youth to return home to learn and preserve their fading cultural keystone.	Song of the Drum: The Petroglyphs of Maine Used as metaphors of the spirit quest or memorize chants.	Forging Bonds: Pow Wow Stories from California Ancestral Languages Heard Again	First Contact - The Road to Healing Views confronted and emotions pushed to the limit, and face their biggest test	
1:30pm	Storytellers In Motion Tanto Cardinal			Ravens and Eagles Naxine Weaver	Samaqan Water Stories Sacred Head Waters	Ravens and Eagles From Hand to Hand Pt. 1	Champions of the North Modern Times	
2:00pm	Vitality Gardening Northern Garden	Underexposed Making An Impact	Underexposed Bank-to-Wall	Underexposed Let It Slide	Underexposed Down N Dirty	Underexposed Treks & Balances	Vitality Gardening Aboriginal Agriculture	
2:30pm	Ambassadors of the Sky How Canada is leading the way when it comes to dark sky preservation and the fight against light pollution.	Working It Out Together Medical	Working It Out Together Nutrition	Working It Out Together Motivation	Working It Out Together Self-Esteem	Working It Out Together The Results	Urban Native Girl Is Blood Thicker Than Love	
3:00pm	Legends from the Sky A Native Vet is forced to search for his missing grandfather after his ancestral land is mysteriously taken over unknown fed org.	Native Planet - Namibia Why the oldest culture on the planet, have created a vast area to protect themselves from the outside world.	Rez Rides Masters Humble The Kings	On Native Ground: Youth Report	The New Zealanders - Central A couple who built their own house, complete with grass roof.	Storytellers in Motion Mr. Tapwe w/Doug Cuthand	Making Regalia A Bustle Backboard	
3:30pm	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	
4:00pm	Every Emotion Costs The reality of returning home on the rez to face family, community and death.	Lighthouse Lesvos Battling bad weather and inadequate resources, a small team begins training with Lifeguard	Potlatch Keepers The elders ask their youth to return home to learn and preserve their fading cultural keystone.	Song of the Drum: The Petroglyphs of Maine Used as metaphors of the spirit quest or memorize chants.	Telling The Truth About California Missions	First Contact - The Road to Healing Views confronted and emotions pushed to the limit, and face their biggest test	Indigenous Focus Origins	
4:30pm	Red Earth Uncovered A Small World: Part 2	Democracy Now! A national, daily, independent, award-winning news program.	Democracy Now! A national, daily, independent, award-winning news program.	Democracy Now! A national, daily, independent, award-winning news program.	Democracy Now! A national, daily, independent, award-winning news program.	Democracy Now! A national, daily, independent, award-winning news program.	Wapos Bay Guardians	
5:00pm	The Medicine Line Reanimated	Indigenous Focus Our Walk for Existence	Wild Archaeology Inuit of Rigolet Pt. 2	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	Wassaja Dominica	N.A. Now Graywolf, Tim Harjo	Hit The Ice Last Minute Preps	
5:30pm	Aboriginal Adventures Prawn Opening - Sidney	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	
6:00pm	Native Shorts X Great Northern Mtn	Red Earth Uncovered Wild Rose Wild Man: Pt. 1	Cashing In Tying The Knot	Chaos & Courage To Hell and Back	Native Shorts X Rangimarie	The Aux Compilation of music videos featuring diverse talents of Native & World Indigenous cultures.	Cashing In Tying The Knot	
6:30pm	The Aux Compilation of music videos featuring diverse talents of Native & World Indigenous cultures.	Indians and Aliens Misiginebig	Studio 49 Cody Coyote	Tribal Police Files Day in the Life	Kvcarts Audiopharmacy Part 2	Reggae Got Soul The never-before-told story of one of the most influential artists ever to come out of Jamaica,	Mixed Blessings Choices	
7:00pm	Dreamer	Goshen: Places of Refuge for Running People The indigenous Tarahumara, a light-footed running tribe, who are striving to maintain their ancient culture against all odds.	Mirando Desde Nuestras Raices Traditional storytelling and culture views from an Indigenous perspective.	Urban Farmers The widespread misconception that urban areas cannot be used to produce food. Tells the hidden agricultural history behind New York City	Aztec: Pyramids of War Part 1 The rise and fall of the Aztec empire, which once flourished in what is now Mexico.	The Head Hunter The gov't decides to build a road through the wilderness, an old man becomes a nuisance.	More Than Frybread 22 Native frybread makers, in AZ, convene in Flagstaff to compete for the first ever, first annual, state of Arizona Frybread Championship!	
7:30pm	Injunuity: Live at the McSwain Theater	Across The Creek	Cousins Across The Sea - Skeletons of New Zealand Part 3	Arkansas' First People	Aztec: Pyramids of War Conclusion. A series of battles with Spanish explorer Hern'n Cort's, who arrived with his army		Fractured Land	
8:00pm	Forging Bonds: Pow Wow Stories from California							

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Charles Enos wins prestigious award for his environmental work at DEQ

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

Charles Enos, Department of Environmental Quality Aquatic Scientist, was awarded the Conner Byestewa Jr., award during an Environmental Protection Agency Tribal Region 9 conference held at the Ak-Chin Indian Community from Oct. 21-24.

"I was just honored just to be nominated," said Enos who also wanted his colleagues at DEQ to be acknowledged during the ceremony. "I made them all stand up to be recognized."

"It's an honor to receive this award, we are very proud of Charles,

he is well deserving. His dedication and hard work has set the foundation for the Community to develop more wetlands in a manner that honors the cultural heritage of the Community," Willard Antone, DEQ Director.

The Byestewa Award was created to recognize individuals who are leaders in tribal self-government to improve human health and environmental conditions in Native communities.

"When I first started in the environmental field with ITCA (Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona) and DEQ, people were getting these awards and I never

thought I would get it, after all these years," said Enos.

He said growing up District 6, in a family that had cattle and horses, allowed him to connect with nature and the changes it has gone through since he was a kid.

"When I was just a little guy, a kid, my father had cattle and horses, and we used to run that cattle and horses, I was basically a cowboy," said Enos.

Enos says he's seen the environment change, from vegetation to wildlife, which spurred his interest in plants and animals and how to restore balance to the Community's natural

habitat.

One of the greatest things Enos has done, was ride in a helicopter along the Estrella mountains to conduct big horn sheep surveys. "When I was a kid, those mountains were like sacred, sacred to me, because they were somewhat mysterious and I used to hear some of the elders talk about the big horn sheep up there, but I never seen them, until my work brought me up there."

On reflecting back on what the award means to him and the people he has worked with Enos said he could not find a better way to enjoy life.

"I feel like I've been so blessed, so blessed, because I got to work in a field that I enjoy so much and the best part of my job was being out there in the environment planting and doing field work, collecting data," said Enos.

"The impact of Mr. Enos' restoration work cannot be underestimated. His work has not only brought verdant, flowing wetlands back to the Community; it has also inspired and informed a generation of practitioners in the field," Russell Benford, DEQ Environmental Program Manager.



DEQ Aquatic Scientist Charles Enos at the EPA Tribal Region 9 conference hosted in the Ak-Chin Indian Community. Photo courtesy of Bobbie Riggs

Jake Plummer attends unveiling of his life-sized bobble head at Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino



Former Arizona State Sun Devil and Arizona Cardinals quarterback Jake Plummer and mascot Sparky pose with a life-sized bobble head made in his likeness on Nov. 8. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

Former football player who played for Arizona State University and the Arizona Cardinals recently received a life-sized honor during a special unveiling at Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino. Jake Plummer, who played quarterback for the Sun Devils and the Cardinals, took part in an unveiling ceremony of a life-sized bobble head in his likeness at the Wild Horse Pass on Nov. 8.

Gila River Hotels & Casinos teamed up with

Sun Devil Athletics and Done Deal Promotions to produce a six-foot bobble head of Jake Plummer, including a limited number of 7.5-inch bobble heads, that was given to lucky casino patrons, according to a press release.

The bobble head commemorates the Sun Devil's 1996 season that included an appearance in the Rose Bowl against the Ohio State Buckeyes.

The event, was also marked by Plummer's induction into the College Football Hall of Fame, which took place during

the ASU game against the University of Southern California on Nov. 9 at Sun Devil Stadium. "You don't set out as a young kid, as a Sun Devil with dreams and aspirations to be in the NFL, you don't think about hall of fames and recognition for your past achievements," said Plummer.

When he received notification of his induction, Plummer was emotionally gripped by the news and what it meant to his ASU career and teammates. "It makes me really, really appreciate my teammates and coaches," said Plum-

mer. He said not many can say they've had a life-sized bobble head made after them, "If anybody ever says anything about my career, I just got a life-sized bobble head, 'do you?'" said Plummer making light of the recognition.

He said, "As your life goes on and further away from the game anything like this just rekindles those memories and makes me think of all the people within the organization, who played a part in [this] and I'm just extremely honored."



NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT

NON-MEMBER RESIDENT REGISTRATION



The Community's Residency Ordinance requires all adults (18 years of age and older) who are not enrolled members of the Gila River Indian Community, but who reside within the boundaries of the Community to register their residency.



The Residency Ordinance requires all non-members who reside within the reservation to register their residency with the Enrollment Department, and must update their registration by January 31st each year.



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S-uam Mashath

The name for this month means the yellow/brown month in the Akimel O’otham language. The name refers to the plant-life that goes dormant during the winter months. This month marks the beginning of the holiday season and a time for family and friends to get together and celebrate in the days ahead. Akimel O’otham and Pee-Posh have always been social people and enjoy large family gatherings.

There are certain social protocols and traditions that take effect when we have company over to visit. One protocol that should be practiced is being a good host. When we have visitors over it is always proper to offer something to drink and snack on. If they have traveled, a great distance its proper to feed them a hot meal. When we were young, we introduced our-

selves to our visiting relatives and used the proper kinship terms in greeting them. Our Elders always spoke first and would say to us kids Eñ Vopsmad! (My Grandchildren!), taking turns we each would shake his hand or give him a hug and say Eñ Vosk! (My Grandfather! - father’s side of the family). The whole family continued in this fashion until everyone had been reacquainted.

When it came time to sit down for our Thanksgiving dinner, Eñ Vosk would always say grace. After his prayer, he would proclaim Oig thoht gegos! (Okay let’s eat!). Then our Je’e (Mom), or Lulu’u (Grandmother – mother’s side of the family) would say loudly Amk si e gegosith! (Eat to your heart’s content!). Some polite phrases spoken at the dinner table include:

Napth thonom?
Are you thirsty?

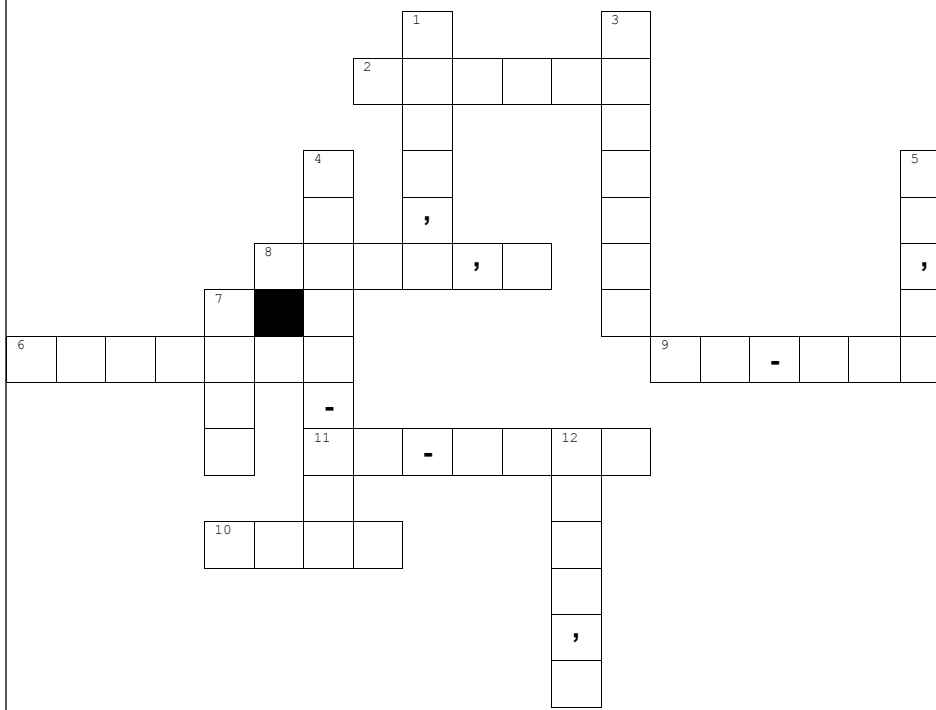
Ha’o, thonom anth.
Yes, I’m thirsty.

Napth biu:gim?
Are you hungry?

Ha’o, biu:gim anth.
Yes, I’m hungry.

Hiksha eñ vasbith heg shu:thag.
(Please) pour me some water. You can also use kavi: ‘coffee’, vi:p ‘milk’, vadgaj ‘juice’, so:la ‘soda’ in place of shu:thag.
Hiksha eñ ma:k heg um’ach.
(Please) bring me the (turkey thigh). You can ask for your ‘favorite part of the thova (turkey) ba:sho ‘sliced breast meat’, a’anach ‘wing’, kayio ‘leg’, or ko:ji chu:kug ‘sliced ham.’

S-uam Mashath I:mig – Family Kinship Terms Crossword Puzzle



O:g Amjeđ (Father’s Side)

- 2. Uncle (Father’s Younger Brother)
- 6. Aunt (Father’s Younger Sister)
- 8. Grandmother
- 9. Aunt (Father’s Older Sister)
- 10. Grandfather
- 11. Uncle (Father’s Older Brother)

Je’e Amjeđ (Mother’s Side)

- 1. Grandfather
- 3. Uncle (Mother’s Younger Brother)
- 4. Aunt (Mother’s Older Sister)
- 5. Uncle (Mother’s Older Brother)
- 7. Aunt (Mother’s Younger Sister)
- 12. Grandmother

Siovim u:v!
It smells tasty!

Si sap ap ka:k!
It tastes really good!

This month as our families get together to celebrate Thova Thash (Thanksgiving) we encourage you to use these phras-

es and speak with an Elder in your family about the relationship terms of your immediate family. As we gather together with our families over the holidays, it is appropriate to reflect on our traditional I:mik (kinship) and how it binds our families together. This month’s crossword puzzle

will focus on I:mik. Akimel O’otham is more precise in that the names for our relatives identify whether they come from our mother’s side or father’s side of the family. Remember that spellings and terms may be slightly different between the villages.

WATER RIGHTS DAY CELEBRATION 2019

“Reflecting on the Past and Protecting our Future”

TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 10, 2019

10:00 A.M. -
2:00 P.M.

Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass

5594 W. Wild Horse Pass Blvd, Phoenix, AZ 85226

Guest speakers, entertainment, and more!
Lunch and gifts for the first 400 attendees

For more information, please contact (520) 562-9859





Haskell Osife-Antone Post 51 presents Pendleton blanket to CPL. Sage Etsitty (far right) during the District 1 Veterans Day event. Emma Hughes/GRIN



Lt. Gov. Robert Stone greets Community members during the Veterans Day parade in District 1. Emma Hughes/GRIN

Veterans honored with a pair of breakfasts in District 6 and District 7

Kyle Knox
Gila River Indian News

Many celebrations honoring and commemorating veterans, past and present, throughout the country occurred over the Nov. 11 Veterans Day holiday weekend. District 6 held a Veterans Breakfast for veterans and their families on Saturday, Nov. 9, at the Learning Center. The Recreation Committee treated veterans with a T-bone steak and eggs breakfast. And veterans were also gifted tumblers and blankets.

After the breakfast, the veterans offered words of appreciation for the breakfast.

District 6's Recreation Committee hosted the breakfast and were honored to provide such a hearty breakfast for the veterans and to bring Community members together. Many shared a need for an increase in events for vets. Ideas for new events were given to the recreation committee offering several events to hold in the future.

Further west, District 7 continued a tradition on

Saturday, Nov. 9, of cleaning at the cemetery with vehicles near family plots as Community members placed flowers and decorated the sites with American flags. District 7 Recreation Committee held a breakfast shortly after.

The District 7 Community Room had families filing in and out depending on when they finished cleaning. Those who stayed listened to testimony and appreciation from those veterans.

At both events, those veterans in attendance



Elgin Sunn, Veteran from District 7. Kyle Knox/GRIN

shared stories of boot camp, living abroad, surviving warfare, and deep appreciation to have come



Kenneth Pablo, Veteran from District 6 at the Veterans Breakfast. Kyle Knox/GRIN

home. Despite the hardships of fulfilling their service, it was evident that everyone enjoyed the day in good company with the Community.

Ira H. Hayes American Legion Post 84 attends sunset tribute at the Heard Museum

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

An annual event that recognizes the service of Native American veterans was held on a day when all servicemen and women are honored for their military

service. The Heard Museum held its annual American Indian Veteran Sunset Tribute on Nov. 11.

The gathering of veterans from tribal communities across Arizona and elsewhere, was held at the

Heard's American Indian Veterans National Memorial. The memorial serves as a reminder of the large numbers of American Indians who served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Ira. H. Hayes Amer-

ican Legion Post 84 from Sacaton, posted the colors, which was followed by an invocation by Dr. George Blue Spruce, (Ohkay Owingeh/Laguna/Dakota Sioux) and U.S. Navy veteran.

"We use this time to reflect what we are thankful for, the people we come to honor today, that are hugely responsible for one of the most important acts, is our freedom," Marcus Monerkit, Heard Museum Director of Community Engagement.

"American Indians have served in every conflict and war this nation has ever seen, that it is essential to tell their stories, lift up their service and remember how much they have given so that future generations may remain free," said David M. Roche, Heard Museum Dickey Family Director and CEO.

He acknowledged the spouses, family members and communities who maintained a sense of normalcy while their loved ones were overseas.

"We offer our humble thanks to those who remained behind and so passionately loved and supported the men and women who fought and gave the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country," said Roche.

Dr. Blue Spruce, who



Members of the Ira. H. Hayes Post 84 posted the colors at the annual Sunset Veterans Tribute on Nov. 11. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

served as the Assistant Surgeon General for American Indian Dentist, shared about being the first American Indian to serve on a nuclear-powered submarine, the USS Nautilus.

"I was drafted into the Navy during the Korean conflict, but they gave me a deferment and they paid my way to go to dental school, which allowed me to become the first American Indian dentist in the United States," said Dr. Blue Spruce.

Another guest speaker talked about the large numbers American Indians, who enlisted in the military prior to Native peoples' right to vote in America.

"Up until 1924, Amer-

ican Indians were not allowed to vote, but many served in World War I, even though they didn't have the right to participate in the voting process," said Dr. Wayne Lee Mitchell (Mandan/Dakota Sioux.)

He said, despite this limitation to exercise their rights, and often facing discrimination in the service, American Indians have selflessly served in the military to achieve equal rights and to defend their ancestral homelands.

To close-out the event, veterans were asked to form a line to receive a commemorative medal and were treated to a dinner inside the Steele Auditorium.

VETERANS DAY
— Honoring All Who Served —

Today we pay tribute to the men and women who served in the U.S. military. It is the day we set aside to honor their service and to commemorate on their behalf all the freedoms we enjoy as Americans.

For every peril our country faced a soldier, marine, sailor, airmen and others were there to protect all that we hold dear. Their heroic deeds in the U.S. Armed Forces are beyond measure. So, on Veterans Day we say 'thank you' to those men and women who make up our military veterans.

In the Gila River Indian Community, we have great examples of the military service of Native Americans. Our veterans likewise devoted themselves to defending our country and the land of our ancestors. We still have Community members who are active-duty and we pray for their safe return so they can one day join in the processions and celebrations of this wonderful day.

Let us again extend our gratitude and praise for all our servicemen and women so we may learn from their example for generations to come.

Stephen Roe Lewis
"Putting Our People First"
Stephen Roe Lewis
Governor of the Gila River Indian Community



NOVEMBER 23, 2019

6:00 AM AT HASHAN KEHK – DISTRICT 2

COURSE: HALF MARATHON (13.1 MILES)

10K (6.2 MI)

5K (3.1 MI)

1-MILE FUN RUN/WALK

ALL COURSES ARE TRAIL TERRAIN

LODGING/OVERNIGHT CAMPING WILL BE AVAILABLE

WATER STATIONS WILL BE LOCATED EVERY 2 MILES

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 15, 2019

TO REQUEST A REGISTRATION FORM OR TO VOLUNTEER PLEASE CONTACT

JIIVIK SIIKI, JIIVIK.SIIKI@GMAIL.COM OR ALIE WALKING BADGER AT (520) 562-9713



HEADLINES EXECUTIVE OFFICE

"Putting Our People First"



Stephen Roe Lewis
Governor



Robert Stone
Lt. Governor

FROM THE FRONT PAGE

ulty Scottsdale Community College

Spirit of the Heard Award – Baje Whitethorne, Sr. (Navajo) – Renowned Artist (presented by the Heard Museum)

Man of the Year – Honorable Governor Stephen R. Lewis (Gila River Indian Community) – Governor, Gila River Indian Community

Woman of the Year – Honorable Representative Jennifer Jermaine (White Earth Ojibwe) – State

Representative, Arizona Legislative District 18 and Honorable Representative Wenona Benally, former (Navajo) – Assistant Attorney General, Pascua Yaqui Tribe

Business of the Year – Indian Country Today – Mark Trahant (Shoshone-Bannock Tribe), Editor

Volunteer of the Year – Sheila Lopez (Diné) – Diversity Program Manager, Intel Corporation

Friend of the Community – Tony Davis – Detec-

tive, City of Phoenix Police College Student of the Year – D. Gonzales (Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community) – Northern Arizona University

College Student of the Year – Shailene Edwards (San Carlos Apache) – Arizona State University

High School Student of the Year – Tristan Craig (White Mountain Apache Tribe/Navajo) 12th Grade – New School for the Arts and Academics

High School Student of the Year – Candice Joe (Navajo) 12th Grade – Sierra Linda High School



Governor Lewis (second from right, first row) with Community members, staff, and family with his 2019 Man of the Year Award plaque. Kyle Knox/GRIN

USDA hosts national training at Wild Horse Pass



Lt. Gov. Robert Stone opening the NRCS training with a prayer and remarks welcoming everyone to the Community. Kyle Knox/GRIN

Kyle Knox
Gila River Indian News

On Monday, Nov. 4, the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) hosted a training called "Working Effectively with Native Americans." The week-long training hosted at Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino, where NRCS employees became immersed in Native American history, laws, policies to create a better understanding of working in a Native American community.

Lt. Gov. Robert Stone was in attendance at the beginning of the training to provide a prayer and opening remarks. Those in attendance for the workshop work throughout the country in rural areas that offer a wide range of services and many times for Native American communities.

Lt. Gov. Stone was honored that the Community hosted this year's workshop stating, "The Community has been at the forefront of this kind of work with the

USDA/NRCS. From our water to land development, everyone here should learn about what it takes to make those improvements in the regions and people they work with."

Melissa Sturdivant coordinated the workshop from the USDA/NRCS. Sturdivant said the training's goal is to "empower and armor our employers that work in every county to provide the best service for our clientele." Sturdivant's training is rooted in understanding the "cultural differences and barriers that may affect the delivery in services to their clients."

A different Tribal Community hosts each Working Effectively with Native Americans training throughout the country each session. The Community hosted this month's training where participants toured different sites in GRIC, which included the Huhugam Heritage Center, where the Keli Akimel Hua Modk Cudkdam performed an O'otham basket dance for everyone.

Women unite at Native American Women's conference

Over 200 attended the conference held at Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino

Emma Hughes
Gila River Indian News

"Women embracing women," the Native American Women's Conference (NAWC) was held on Nov. 8, at the Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino. This is the conference's fourth year.

Katreena Hayes-Wood, co-chairperson of NAWC discussed how the conference came together. "Let's bring women together and give them a platform of joy," said Hayes-Wood, hoping that women come away with "good vibes and information."

Lt. Gov. Robert Stone a prayer during the lunch session.

The all-day event is intended to give women a space where they can come together. This year's attendance reached 200, which only seems to be growing compared to last year. "We anticipate around 300 next year," said Hayes-Woods, as the conference includes breakout sessions, exercise, lunch, shopping and even a fashion show. Local artists and informational booths were onsite as well.

Panelists for the conference included Gila River Indian Community, Salt River Pima-Maricopa and Tohono O'odham. Some of the topics covered self-defense, workplace bullying, surviving abuse, culture, work and life balance, nutrition and more. "We make sure a lot of the things we highlight can be oriented toward their career or health and wellness," said Hayes-Wood.



Women listen during a session with GRPD Officer Celestina Perez. Emma Hughes/GRIN

WINTER BIRD COUNT DECEMBER 7TH, 2019

HUHUGAM HERITAGE CENTER- 23159 S. MARICOPA ROAD



7 AM: Meet at the location nearest you to receive your field assignment

District 5: Casa Blanca Chevron Station
(Casa Blanca Rd. & I-10)

District 6: Komatke Chevron Station
(51st Ave. & Pecos Rd.)

District 7: Service Center
(83rd Ave. & Baseline Rd.)



Huhugam Heritage Center
23159 S. Maricopa Rd.

11 AM: Cultural Activities

1 PM: 2019 Bird Count Concludes



Please Note: Transportation is not provided for this event.

ALL MINORS must be accompanied by an ADULT



COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • November 6, 2019

ACTION SHEET

Community Council; P.O. 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, November 6, 2019, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:09 a.m.

INVOCATION

Provided by Councilwoman Janice Stewart

ROLL CALL

Sign-in Sheet Circulated

Executive Officers Present:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Lt. Governor Robert Stone

Council Members Present:

D1-Joey Whitman, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Avery White (9:17), Rodney Jackson; D4-Monica Antone, Delmar Jones, Pamela Johnson (9:42); D5- Janice Stewart, Marlin Dixon, Franklin Pablo, Sr., Thomas White; D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr. (9:19), Charles Goldtooth (9:20), Terrance Evans (9:10); D7- Devin Redbird (10:36)

Council Members Absent:

D4-Jennifer Allison

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO TABLE REPORT #2 AND NEW BUSINESS #4, #8 AND #10

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORTS #1 AND #4; TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTIONS #1, THROUGH #4 AND RESOLUTION #6; AND NEW BUSINESS #1 AND #2 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Introduction – Dr. Michael Britt, Director of the Management Information Systems Department

Presenter: Kathyleen Curley

MS. KATHYLEEN CURLEY INTRODUCED DR. MICHAEL BRITT. DR. BRITT PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HIS BACKGROUND AND HIS GOALS FOR THE DEPARTMENT. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSES WORDS OF WELCOME.

2. Introduction - Velda A. Williams, Director of the Tribal Social Services Department

Presenter: Kathyleen Curley

MS. KATHYLEEN CURLEY INTRODUCED MS. VELDA A. WILLIAMS. MS. WILLIAMS PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HER BACKGROUND AND GOALS FOR THE DEPARTMENT. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSES WORDS OF WELCOME.

REPORTS

*1. Casa Blanca Community School Annual Report 2018-2019

Presenter: Lillian Kim Franklin

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. 3rd, 4th, & Final FY 2019 Pee-Posh Veterans Association Budget Reports

Presenter: Arnie Bread, Sr.

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. Repurpose of the District 6 Tribal Health Department

Presenter: Candalerian Preston

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO TABLE

>4. GRICUA FY 19 3rd Quarter Report

Presenters: John Lewis, Leonard Gold

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

5. The Caring House Quarterly Reporting including Financials July 2019-September 2019 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Ron Preston, Max Haake

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORTS #6 AND #7

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

6. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report for September 2019 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Kenneth Manuel, Interim Oversight & Planning Committee

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

7. Gaming Commission General Report to the Community Council for September 2019 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Duane Johns, Courtney Moyah

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTIONS

*1. A Resolution Approving Amendment Number One To The Gila River Indian Community 2018 Procurement Policy (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Lawrence Makil

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. A Resolution Rescinding Resolutions GR-315-08 And GR-278-14 And Approving The Plan Of Operation For The Gila River Farms (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Casaundra Wallace

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing Amendment #1 To The Agreement Of March 1, 2019 Between The Gila River Indian Community And Lippes, Mathias, Wexler & Friedman, LLP (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval based on the six items justified and placement on the consent agenda)Presenter: Javier Ramos

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing Amendment #1 To The Agreement Of October 1, 2019 Between The Gila River Indian Community And Dorsey & Whitney, LLP (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Linus Everling

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. A Resolution Approving The Interim Water Use Permitting Policies And Procedures For The Permitting Of Wells On The Gila River Indian Reservation (NRSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Casaundra Wallace

APPROVED

>6. A Resolution Approving The Enrollment Of Paniolo Alfredo Gonzales Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Sheila A. Valenzuela

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ORDINANCES

1. The Gila River Indian Community Council Herby Enacts The 2019 Amendments To The 2011 Code Of Conduct For Community Officials (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Tom Murphy

APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Housing Advisory Committee Appointment – District 4 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation to appoint Sharon Lewis to the Housing Advisory Committee and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Laurie Thomas

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. Housing Advisory Committee Appointment – District 1 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation to appoint Cheryl Coppedge to the Housing Advisory Committee and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Laurie Thomas

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. Amendments To The Constitution (LSC forwards the public comments to Council for review and consideration to make the comments available to the Community members upon request)

Presenters: Linus Everling, Michael Carter, Javier Ramos

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO RELEASE THE COMMENTS AND MAKE AVAILABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS

UPON REQUEST

4. Tribal Healing To Wellness Court Planning Initiative (LSC motioned to nominate Councilman Terrance B. Evans to the Wellness Court Planning Initiative)

Presenter: Kami Hart

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. Blackwater Community School Tribal Education Allocation Written Plan 2019-2020 (ESC forwards to Council under New Business with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Jagdish Sharma

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

6. Sacaton Middle School Tribal Education Allocation Written Plan 2019-2020 (ESC forwards to Council under New Business with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Andre Gillespie

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

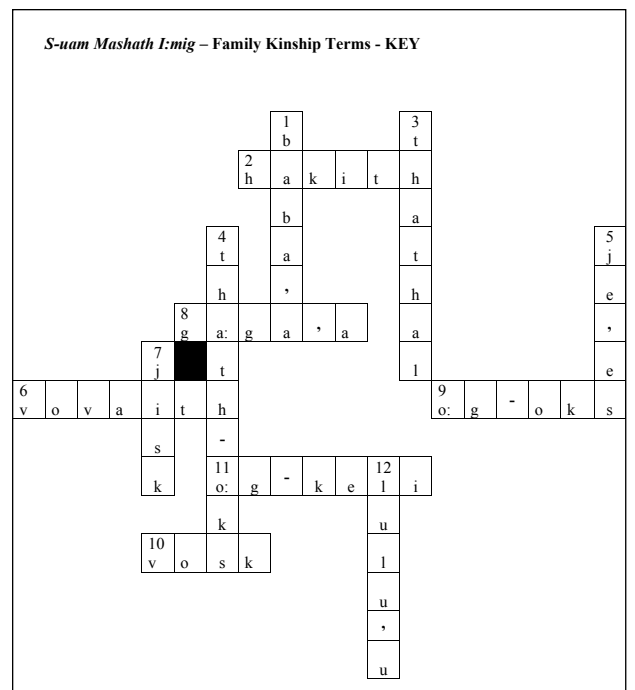
7. Sacaton Elementary School Tribal Education Allocation Written Plan 2019-2020 (ESC forwards to Council under New Business with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Wanda Burton

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

8. Casa Blanca Community School Tribal Education Allocation Written Plan 2019-2020 (ESC forwards to Council under New Business with recommendation for approval and additional material)

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21st Century Native provides basketball camp in District 7



Joseph Ayala (left) and Hector Soto (right) warming up as volunteer trainers for the basketball camp. Kyle Knox/GRIN

Kyle Knox
Gila River Indian News

On Saturday, Nov. 9, 21st Century Native hosted their second Start Strong Basketball Clinic at the District 7 Service Center. The event is one of many events the organization is hosting in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

The non-profit organization is four-years-old and has organized numerous events for youth since its creation. The founder Amanda Lyons said, "Our goal is to host various events that develop life skills and sports foundation among youth from District

1 to District 7."

Earlier this year, they hosted workshops on goal setting, planning and coping. To date, their only sports programming is for basketball development. They have the most experience with basketball, are involved with NABI, and have a team compete every summer.

For the basketball camps, participants are coached by Ronnie Lyons, who is Amanda Lyons' father and coach for their NABI team. Two former teammates were also in attendance to assist with stretches, warm-ups, and drills.

Thank You

We would like to thank all our family who helped us during this difficult time with the passing of our daughters Jessica Torres. Her passing was so sudden and unexpected. We really appreciate the guidance we received with the preparations and decisions that had to be made. We thank you for the beautiful cards, flowers, songs and good food. Your kindness and concern for our family means a great deal to us. We appreciate the love and support extended to us during our time of grief. Special thanks to: Doug Jones
Choirs who sang
Cousins, brothers and sisters who helped.

Ronald & Sylvia Allison & Family

Court Date Notice

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA COURT DATE NOTICE

In Re Case: Charles Gordan Avery vs. Kelly Marie Laws
Docket Number: FM-20 19-0087-DV
This case has been scheduled and YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR on the date, time and place designated below. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR your hearing may be held in absentia and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, forfeiture of your bond, judgment in favor of the other party, or jail time may be ordered.
Answer/Response Hearing
Westend Judicial Center,
4751 West Pecos Road,
Laveen, AZ 85339
21st day of November, 2019 at 9:00 AM in Courtroom WI before the Honorable Sheri L Cassa

Court Date Notice

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
STATE OF ARIZONA
DONTOMAS GILBERT BENITEZ
Petitioner/Plaintiff
VS.
LUISA CARDENAS BENITEZ

Coach Ronnie Lyons teaches proper basketball fundamentals at the camp. Coach Lyons builds the clinic to help participants improve their ball handling and shooting mechanics, so youth are capable of trying out and competing in community, school, or tournament play.

21st Century Native will hold a Family Bingo as the last event for November 18, Monday, at 6:30 pm at the District 3 Service Center. More information can be found by calling (480) 708-9249 or emailing info@21stcenturynative.net.

Respondent/Defendant
CASE Number: FM-2019-0100-PT
CIVIL SUMMONS
TO: Adam Lara
Unknown address
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that a civil action has been filed in the Gila River Indian Community Court. YOU shall respond at an ANSWER/RESPONSE HEARING regarding this matter on:
Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 11:00 AM in Courtroom VII,
Westend Judicial Center,
4751 West Pecos Road, Laveen, AZ.
YOU may respond in writing. However, even if you do so, your presence at the Answer/Response Hearing is still required. If a written answer or response is made, it shall be filed and served before the date of the hearing, unless the time is extended by order of the Court. If you fail to appear and defend, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

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Gila River Royalty
Fundraiser

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November 22, 2019
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Governance Center Lobby
Sacaton, AZ

Bake Sale
\$ DONATIONS

All proceeds benefit the 2019-2020 Gila River Royalty's end of reign endeavors


Raffle Tickets
\$5 EACH

For questions or for more information please email: missgilariver@gric.nsn.us



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(520) 562-3662

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Presenter: Lillian Kim Franklin
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
9. Gila Crossing Community School Tribal Education Allocation Written Plan 2019-2020 (ESC forwards to Council under New Business with recommendation for approval with additional information)
Presenter: Jim Mosley
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE
10. Maricopa Village Christian School Tribal Education Allocation Written Plan 2019-2020 (ESC forwards to Council under New Business with recommendation for approval with additional information)
Presenter: Al Chatman
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
11. School Issue (Executive Session) (ESC forwards to Council under New Business in Executive Session with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Michael Carter
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE
[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 15-MINUTE BREAK. LT. GOVERNOR ROBERT STONE RECONVENED THE MEETING AT 11:29]
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION
12. Judicial Assessment (Executive Session) (LSC forwards to Community Council to accept with recommendations)
Presenter: Janice Moore
ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DIRECT THE LSC, OGC AND THE COMMUNITY COURTS PREPARE A PLAN
ADDRESSING THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND BRING BACK TO THE COUNCIL IN 90 DAYS; FUR-

THEY MAKE
AVAILABLE THE REDACTED ASSESSMENT TO THE COMMUNITY COURTS
MINUTES
ANNOUNCEMENTS
~ GILA RIVER FARMS BOARD MEETING IN CONFERENCE ROOM A, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 06, 2019
~JOINT MEETING, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2019 IS CANCELLED
~ESC WORK SESSION, NOVEMBER 7, 2019 IS CANCELLED
~LT. GOVERNOR ATTENDING CONSTRUCTION IN INDIAN COUNTRY, HARRAH'S AK-CHIN ADJOURNMENT
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:04 P.M.
* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)
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Thanksgiving Holiday Hours

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To find out any more information on services open during the holidays, please call GRHC's main line 520.562.3321. GRHC's normal business hours will resume Monday, December 2nd. If you need immediate assistance, please call 911 or visit the Emergency Department at Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital.

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