



District 7 welcomes visitors to the Mustering In Celebration

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The first weekend of September, the Gila River Indian Community observes Mustering In Day Celebration in District 7. The celebration took place Sept. 7 where Community members honored the historic sacrifices of the Pee Posh and O'otham warriors and active servicemen and women.

The celebration marked the 154th Anniversary of the original event that called for the United States Army to muster in two companies of Akimel O'otham and Pee Posh soldiers.

Waylon Pahona from District 7 provided remarks about the history of Mustering In. He said, "Mustering In Day's primary focus is to commemorate the selfless act of the 94 Pee Posh and 88 O'otham who volunteered for U.S. military service back in 1865."

The parade of 15 floats lined 87th Avenue concluding at the District 7 Multipurpose Building after the morning run. Mr. Ran-



The 2019 Mustering In Celebration was held Aug. 31 in District 7. Kyle Knox/GRIN

dall Allison was the grand marshal. Posting of colors, a 21-gun salute, and the national anthem kicked off the program before lunch, and everyone could visit the resource booths and water slides.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis is acknowledged the continued success of the District 7's annual events applauding Community Council Representative Devin Redbird, the staff, and volunteers.

Gov. Lewis said, "We are here today to honor our men and women that have always had to step-up to answer the call to service. This celebration celebrates

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Former Miss Gila River will compete for Miss Indian Arizona



Autumn Cooper is competing to be the 58th Miss Indian Arizona. Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

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Building on her experience as Miss Gila River 2018-2019, Autumn Cooper is ready for the next step in her royalty career, competing for the Miss Indian Arizona 2019-2020 title on Saturday, Oct. 12.

She joins five other young ladies competing at the Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program, held at the Chandler Center for the Arts.

Since ending her reign back in March, Autumn took some much-deserved time off. After enjoying a family vacation, she began to focus on herself and refreshed her wellness. With more time on her hands, she has the chance to pick back up her fitness, reading, and writing.

Although the title can be stressful at times, there is plenty of fond memories and experiences she misses. For instance, she recalls attending and meeting new and outgoing royalty throughout the state as a fun experience. Traveling to other communities and appearances also gave her a lot to look forward to every month.

The title also gave her, like many others, a chance to host events on the Community. Cooper said the two events she held are her most memorable experiences. Last year during the holiday season, she held a blanket drive for elders residing at the Caring House as well as a toy for children living at Residential Program for Youth.

With her next step approaching fast, Autumn is always on the lookout for potential new girls to run for future Miss Gila River pageants. In her opinion, the benefits of the role are learning more about the Community, and giving back through events like the blanket and toy drive. And above all, the individual growth she gained challenged her but ultimately made her a better person.

Now seven months later she's utilizing that growth and experience to advance her goals for the Miss Indian Arizona title.

In the next issue, she shares more about how that reign differs, her platform, and how she's preparing to compete against the five other contestants from around the state.



The 2019 Mustering In Celebration began with a posting of colors and a 21-gun salute by the Ira Hayes Post #84.. Kyle Knox/GRIN

Gila River Royalty reflect on the year so far as they reach their midpoint



Miss Gila River Tyler Owens, left, and Jr. Miss Gila River Susanna Osife, right, following their introduction to Community Council. Kyle Knox/GRIN

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Miss Gila River Tyler Owens and Jr. Miss Gila River Susanna Osife have had a memorable six months. Approaching the midpoint, both reflect on their experiences. They shared insights of their tribal royalty journey serving as ambassadors for the Gila River Indian Community on their travels, and how they have begun preparing for the 2020 pageant.

From the outside looking in, tribal royalty only appears as a fun-filled travel fest to pageants and events where one only needs

to perfect a smile and wave. It is much more than that. Owens and Osife have had to balance school, family, work, pageant responsibilities, and personal time. Though the responsibility is enormous, they are learning to manage everything along the way.

Looking back, they have many stories about what they've heard or seen in the six months serving. For example, at Disney World, while dining with Disney princesses', Belle (Beauty and the Beast) referred to both as

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Mud Dash course was the 'highlight' of the third annual event

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The Mul-Chu-Tha Fairgrounds was the site to the 120 participants that embarked in the Third Annual Mud Dash on Friday, Sept. 6.

Six waves of 20 runners were signaled to start throughout the evening by Brenalee Sakiestewa, Tribal Wellness Center staff. Each wave consisted of men and women of all ages eager to challenge themselves and have some fun all in the name of health. Sakiestewa said, "The collaboration that took place to build the course was the highlight of this year's event."

Angelica Guzman returned for the second-year and said, "I enjoyed the run, it was fun, and the wall was the most challenging." Guzman also mentioned that "It [Mud Dash] is for everyone if you can't do something you can always go around." Guzman confronted every obstacle head-on and was the first woman to scale the wall without any assistance successfully.

While most attempted the obstacles throughout the course,



Participants trudging through the army crawl obstacle portion of the Mud Dash. Kyle Knox/GRIN

some bypassed those that looked too challenging for their agility level. And for those that wanted to push themselves, it was encouraged and also supervised by Wellness Center staff.

Juan Hernandez said, "It's fun because it takes you out of

your comfort zone; you get dirty and run through uneven terrain." He highly encourages this course for anyone that considers obstacle course runs in their future. Hernandez is tall, but even he couldn't get out of the army crawls that forced him, and every

one, on the ground with their faces covered in mud.

Though caked with mud from head to toe, everyone received Mud Dash promotional items and were given treats and smoothies from Kowee Coffee upon completing the run.

Vets honored at O'odham Veterans Celebration in District 5



Wesley Rhodes, left, at one of the informational booths set up at the O'odham Veteran's Celebration. Emma Hughes/GRIN

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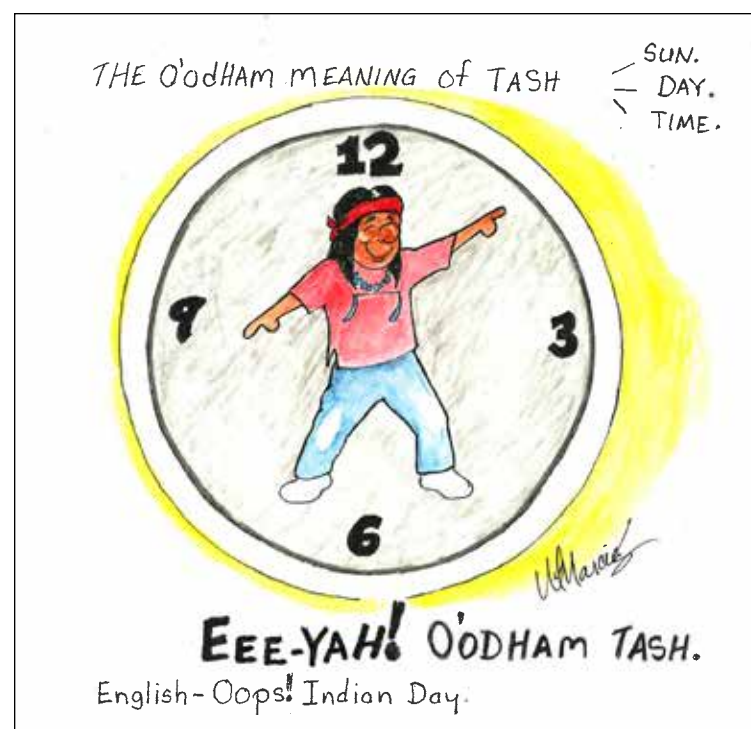
Tribal veterans and families gathered once again for the annual O'odham Veteran's Celebration that was held on Saturday, Sept. 14 at the District 5 Multipurpose Building. The event was originally scheduled to be held in District 7 but due to unforeseen circumstances, the event was moved to District 5.

Community member Delane Enos gave a blessing to start the event, a welcome from District 5 Councilman Thomas White, and students from St. Peter Mission School sang the national anthem and Pledge of Allegiance. Information vendors were on site to assist veterans and their families, including Veterans and Families Services Office, Gila River Health Care – Behavioral Health, Huhugam Heritage Center, Tucson and Phoenix Veterans Association, and Arizona Department of Veterans Services, Southern Arizona V.A. Health Care System Native American Program, and more to explain what they do and what resources and services they have to offer.

Mike Leon from the Veterans Association gave a presentation on their "healing garden," a garden that is aimed to help veterans

with PTSD. The O'odham Veterans Celebration has been working with Leon and have created a "healing staff" made from a tree in the garden. The staff has been traveling with the O'odham Veterans to different events that they have been a part of, to share with veterans who might want to add anything to the staff before it's return to the garden.

During the event Douglas



Juan, Chairman of the O'odham Veterans Celebration, presented a flag to the Pee Posh Veterans Association for their building.

"It's a lot of work. It's not about us, it's for the ones that need help," said Juan, who dis-

cussed the event and planning. The next annual O'odham Veterans Celebration is planned to be held in District 4. For more information you can contact Juan at (602) 327-5973

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Incident Log

August 18 - 24, 2019
Calls for services this week: 794 Arrest made: 33

District One- (Blackwater)

THEFT—Officers were dispatched to a residence in reference to a theft of US currency; investigation revealed the victim stated that a female came to the residence and asked for a ride home. While the victim was preparing to take the female the victim walked into the other room leaving the female alone and then they left together. Once the victim dropped off the female and left to the grocery store, the victim realized the money in the wallet left on the counter was missing. The victim returned to the residence and questioned the female, she denied taking the money. Officers attempted to contact the female, no answer at the front door while officers knocked, multiple subjects were heard inside and no contact was made. A follow up will be conducted to speak with the female. Nothing further

Status: Pending Follow Up

THEFT—CAD~ The victim called dispatch requesting an officer to report a theft that occurred the night prior. Upon officer arrival, contact was made with the victim and it was reported that an unknown subject took a chainsaw, weed eater and misc. tools from the residence. Suspect is unknown at this time

Status:

District Two – (Sacaton Flats)

ROBBERY—Officers were dispatched to the area in reference to an assault that occurred. While speaking with the victim and the reporting party, investigation the reporting party was passing by and observed the victim in the road who stated they had been assaulted. The victim stated they were assaulted by the suspect/intimate partner after being pulled out of the vehicle by the hair the suspect began to punch the victim multiple times. The suspect then fled the scene in the victim's vehicle without permission. The victim stated that both the victim and suspect consumed alcohol for quite a while before the incident. The suspect and the vehicle was not located; charges were forwarded to law office for review. Photos were taken of the victim and later downloaded into

evidence.com

Status: Charges Forwarded

District Three- (Sacaton)

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT—Officers were dispatched to a residence where the reporting party informed officers that their child may have been a part of an assault that took place involving a knife. Contact was made with the reporting party, they believed their daughter was involved in an assault that took place and a knife was involved. Officers were given little information regarding the incident and victim; the victim later contacted dispatch and the investigation revealed the victim was assaulted by a female that had a knife during the altercation. The victim did not know the name of the female but was told the possible name of the suspect; but could identify the suspect if they were seen again. A follow up will be conducted at a later date to possibly identify the suspect. Photos were taken of the victim and the injuries sustained during the altercation. Nothing further

Status: Pending Follow Up

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT—Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to a juvenile disturbance. Upon officer arrival, contact was made with the reporting party and mother to the victim. The juvenile victim stated that while walking home from the boys and girls club something hit the fence near where the victim was walking. The victim looked and observed the juvenile suspect with a black in color gun in their possession and tried to hide it by placing it behind their back. The victim went home and informed their mother, and officers were called. The reporting party had a photo of the suspect with what appeared to be a handgun in their hand directly across the street. The weapon was located and was found to be a BB gun with seventeen bb's and a bb gun magazine. The juvenile suspect was arrested and the bb gun was taken and placed into evidence. CPS was notified of the incident.

Status: Juvenile suspect was booked into JDRS

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT—Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to a possible home invasion and aggravated assault. Contact was made with the victim, who was seated in a chair and had trauma to their head. GREMS arrived and began to treat the victim later being transported to an

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area hospital for non-life threatening injuries. Investigation revealed three suspects kicked in the door to the victim's residence and began to assault the victim while one suspect had a handgun and began to assault the victim with the weapon. One suspect was detained and the other two suspects remain outstanding. Charges have been forwarded to law office; photos were taken of the scene and victim later being downloaded into evidence.com

Status: Suspect was booked into DRS

THREATENING—Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to threats being made toward a juvenile by a family member. Contact was made and the investigation revealed the juveniles parent was upset over an incident the juvenile was involved in off community and threatened to "kick" the juvenile's ass and make the juvenile black and blue. The reporting party believed the suspect was under the influence of alcohol but was fearful the suspect would follow through. Officers did not locate the suspect and a follow up will be conducted in attempts to conduct an interview with the suspect.

Status: Pending Follow Up

THREATENING—Officers were dispatched to the lobby of the police department in reference to an intimidation call. Contact was made with the victim/reporting party and it was revealed that the suspect sent a message via facebook and is afraid that the suspect will follow through with the threats. The suspect does not have a permanent address and was not located. The victim requested welfare checks at their residence and was advised of the steps taken in order to obtain an order of

protection. A follow up will be conducted at a later date; no charges at this time.

Status: Pending Follow Up

THREATENING—Officers were dispatched to the Sacaton Elementary School in reference to a first grade male student made threatening and intimidating statements to his classmates during class. The student was asked if they understood the severity of the statement that was made, the student advised they understood and just said it to say it. The student was suspended from school and CPS was notified of the incident. No charges were filed and the report was taken for documentation purposes.

Status: Closed

District Four-
Stotonic Area –

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT—Officers were dispatched in reference to a delayed stabbing incident. It was revealed the victim had been stabbed and possibly had the identification of the suspect. The victim was gone from the residence prior to officer arrival; being transported by GREMS to an area hospital for further medical treatment. The victim informed officers that it was their intimate partner that stabbed the victim with a piece of broken glass. Officers responded to the location of the suspect's last known address where they were met by the suspect with red substance consistent with dried blood on their shirt. Miranda rights were read and the suspect admitted to stabbing the victim over relationship issues. Photos were taken of the suspect and the clothing the suspect was wearing and impounded into evidence.com. The suspect was taken into custody and booked into jail.

Status: Suspect was booked into DRS

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT—Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to subject at the residence with a firearm. Officers arrived on scene and were advised everyone exited the residence except the suspect, who was inside the residence. A male exited the residence and attempted to walk back inside but could not open the door; the male was detained and later identified. Investigation revealed the suspect arrived at the home and was engaged in a verbal altercation with a female when the suspect pulled out a firearm and pointed it towards an adult family member (victim) at this time the children in the house were escorted outside and officers were dispatched. The children were able to inform officers of what occurred between the suspect and his girlfriend and described the weapon that was used; it was later located and entered into evidence. No ammunition was located. The suspect was booked into jail.

Status: Suspect was booked into DRS

SEXUAL ASSAULT—Officers were dispatched to a telephonic traffic in reference to a sexual assault involving a minor. Contact was made with the reporting party and it was said that the minor child informed the parent that another child (juvenile suspect) within the home was touching her privates and performing oral acts while making the victim also perform the same acts on the suspect. The victim was interviewed and CPS was notified of the incident. The reporting party was notified detectives would be contacting the parent and victim for further investigation.

Status: Open Investigation

THEFT—Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to a theft of a rifle. Contact was made with the reporting party; investigation revealed the rifle FN15 M4 was taken from the residence and the suspect is unknown at this time. A stolen affidavit was filled out and the weapon was entered into NCIC.

Status: Open Investigation

THREATENING—Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to a domestic disturbance. The reporting party stated that the suspect was saying "he was going to kill all of us" and believed the suspect to be under the influence of drugs. Contacted was made with the suspect and read Miranda Rights. The suspect admitted to using methamphetamine

earlier in the day and did state that he was upset over a message that made him concerned for his kids and believing that they were being molested. The suspect was taken into custody and the family members at the residence stated they were in fear for their lives; believing that the suspect would hurt them. During the booking process the suspect was searched and a clear baggy with a green leafy substance was located in the suspects right side sock. The green leafy substance weighed .3 grams and was entered into evidence lockers and will be sent to AZ DPS lab for analysis.

Status: Suspect was booked into DRS

Lone Butte Area

BURGLARY—Officers were dispatched to the Lone Butte Casino after it was discovered that someone stole landscaping equipment. Investigation revealed two gas powered leaf blowers and a gas powered hedge trimmer were taken. Pry marks were observed on the door and photos were taken. Other items remained in the shed and it is believed that the suspects might have been scared off before they were able to take the rest. A vehicle was observed in the surveillance footage and a follow up will be conducted in attempts to identify the vehicle.

Status: Closed pending suspect identification

SHOPLIFTING—Officers were dispatched to the Phoenix Premium Outlet Tommy Hilfiger Store in reference to a shoplifting. Contact was made with the store manager, who stated the suspect took six items into the fitting room and only left five items in the room. The suspect talks with his girlfriend and takes a white shirt off the rack and placed the shirt in his Guess shopping bag. The suspect attempts to leave the store and the shirts set the alarm off. The suspect is stopped at the door and the suspect asked if he would be able to pay for the items. The manager allowed the suspect to pay cash and leave the store; but stated the store would still like to proceed in pressing charges against the suspect. The suspect was observed leaving the restroom and into the parking lot but was not located. The family of the suspect was advised of the situation and advised to update the suspect of the information. Charges were forwarded to Maricopa County Attorney's Office.

Status: Charges Forwarded

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Samaira Juan receives her certificate and bag filled with art supplies. Gale Rawson (background) announces the winners. Kyle Knox/GRIN

Suicide Prevention Month Inspires Art, Poetry and Creative Writing

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On Thursday, Sept. 12, the Governance Center lobby became a gallery of artful expressions with poetry, drawings, and essays produced by Gila River Youth from the Community. The pieces had a suicide prevention theme and the program motto: Yes2Life. Every entry emphasized how the youth use strength to overcome hardships and continue on the right path for a brighter future.

Gale Rawson, Case Management Coordinator at Tribal Education De-

partment kicked off the program and provided the opening remarks. She thanked all the youth for participating and said, "The expressions of you tells you a story about who raised you, your community, and most of all, about the Gila River Indian Community."

Rawson went on to read an excerpt from one entry that served as a shared theme reading, "... like a lone wolf crying in the night, you will be heard. Don't let this be the end of your story; say yes to life." A seventh-grader submitted those words and was applauded by all in the Governance Center.

The ceremony culminated with an awards distribution for all the entries awarded youth grades fourth to 12th. First, sec-

ond, and third place winners received a certificate and gifts that complimented their entry. Essay and poetry writers received journals and pens while the artists received sketchbooks and drawing utensils. Honorable mentions for each category also received a certificate and a gift.

Sept. 8-14 is the nationwide Suicide Prevention week where activities like this take place all over the country. The goal of this time is to bring awareness about suicide prevention. This contest provides the youth an opportunity to use creativity to address a serious issue. For next year's competition, there are plans to host readings of the submissions by the youth as part of the contest.

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FROM THE FRONT PAGE

"Real Life Princesses." And while waiting in line for a ride, they were "Googled" by a curious stranger who then eagerly asked them about their title and the Community they represent. These cases are examples of the education both must provide with everyone interested in learning about the Gila River Indian Community.

While they have many responsibilities, and endure situations unique to their roles, they find a sisterly comfort in one another. When asked of their best memories to date both

agree that venturing out together has been the highlight so far. Being tasked with many engagements can wear on one person alone. Both are most thankful for having someone to share those experiences. They also admit that having a full court of attendees would have been great so that they would have a group to bond with.

Recruitment is integral to a successful pageant next year and both offer advice to anyone considering.

For anyone even thinking about running, Tyler said, "Just go for it, because whether selected as the Miss or Jr. Miss you get to learn more about yourself and the Community." Tyler says the application and pageant process is an exercise that allows one to consider what you envision doing for the Community.

Susanna admits that she had her hesitations before applying but dismisses those now. She said, "I was in a position where I asked myself, 'Should I run? Should I not?' and didn't know what the outcome would be, but the experience turned out to be great." Susanna recognizes the young woman she's becoming and is thankful that she decided to run.

Moving forward, they are excited to be graduating from each of their schools two months after their reign ends. But before that, they remain focused on carrying out their title responsibilities. That will also include the informational events about the pageant and title to be held in the Community leading up to the March 2020 Pageant.

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Hemajkam ha Thoak'thag 'The Life of the People'

In the previous five articles, we wrote about the O'otham life stages in depth and now we will conclude the O'otham life stages series. Our O'otham age groups have changed over the years to accommodate the new laws and policies adopted over time. As O'otham always do, we have adapted to the changes while remaining embedded in our "Himthag" or 'Way of Life.' As O'otham we start off our lives at our "Eñ ma:sig thash" 'day of my birth' from there we are nurtured by "eñ Je'e" 'my mother.' At this point in our lives, both sexes called "Ali" 'newborn/infant' includes our infants from newborn to age five. In this modern age, both parents have full-time jobs and as soon as the maternity leave is used up, moms must return to work. At this point, our children enter the school and daycare system and begin their formal instruction. Some of our extended family members are currently enrolled in Early Head Start, which enrolls infants from birth to age three. When our children

reach the age of three they enroll in the regular Head Start Program.

The last age of the "Ali" group is reached when our children turn five years of age and enroll into Kindergarten. One of the milestones is when our kids can "ba:ñimo" 'crawl' by themselves and "kekiwa" 'stand up' on their own. As our children get older, they join the "Viappoi ch Chehia" 'young boy and young girl' age group. This age group starts at age six and ends at age 12 in the pre-teen years. This is when they often "hejel 'eñigadath" 'dress by themselves and are given some responsibilities around the home. For some they "mai math 'o hihitho" 'learn how to prepare food and cook.' When our children reach the age of thirteen, they join the "Che'choj ch U'uv" 'young men and young women' age group. At this point, many join "haichu chichivi" 'play in different sports' like football and volleyball. During this period, some of us "mantho haichu chikpan" start working our first jobs (often part-time) after

school and on weekends. It is also usually in this age range when we graduate from high school. When we reach the age of twenty-two we are considered adults by current laws. We call this group the "Ge'egeđ Che'choj ch U'uv" 'adult males and adult females.' For many of us this is, "shelma 'o chikpannath" 'work at our professions.' This is considered our most productive years, as it is within this age span that we accomplish most of our lifetime achievements. The last group we join as we age is the "Keli ch Oks Kekel" 'Elders,' which begins at age 55. Many of us continue working until we retire at age sixty-five and some of us work past that point. We encourage you to learn these phrases and use them with your family members. Speak with a Kekel or speaker in your family and learn how to pronounce the phrases, as they might be slightly different between villages. This month's word match will test your knowledge of phrases used to address the stages of life as O'otham.

Hemajkam ha Thoak'thag: Match the age group phrase with its picture!

Ge'egeđ Cheoj ch U:v math 'o shelma chikpannath.



Ali mai math 'o ba:ñimo.



Viappoi 'o međ.



Chehia mai math 'o hihitho



Cheoj math 'o chichivi keichkwikuđ.



Uv mantho haichu chikpan.



A'aithag eñ Ali ma:sig thash.



Huhugam Heritage Center

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2nd Prize: \$300
3rd Prize: \$200

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DESIGN CONTEST RULES:

1. Open to all enrolled Gila River Indian Community members (ages 14+) beginning September 1st.
2. One entry per person.
3. Design must be original. Please include description of how your entry reflects the theme of the event.
4. Email your entry to hhc.social.gric@gmail.com or deliver to the front office of HHC at 21359 S. Maricopa Road, Chandler, AZ 85226.
5. Entries must be no larger than 8 1/2" x 11".
6. Please include your full name, phone number, district, and Tribal Enrollment number.

ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 11:59 P.M. ON OCTOBER 18TH.

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SOUTHWEST GAS

FROM THE FRONT PAGE



Skaters stand ready to compete for prizes at the United We Shred skateboard competition. Kyle Knox/GRIN

and honors that spirit of our service history.”

Lt. Gov. Robert Stone also addressed the audience that morning.

“I’m happy to be here and with you all in District 7. It’s always good to be here and to honor our vet-

erans near and abroad currently serving.”

Lt. Gov. Stone thanked everyone for attending and was pleased with the strong presence of veterans in attendance from the Community and those visiting from neighboring tribes.

Traditional dances took place throughout the day including O’otham basket dances, Pee Posh Bird Singing, and a Ya-qui Deer Dance. Later in the evening, Seven Layer Army hosted their “United We Shred” skate competition. And then rounding out the evening was an outdoor concert that had everyone taking to the dance floor with music provided by D Faktion Nyne.

Sun Sets on District 7 Skate Park

When the sun set, Saturday, Sept. 7 at the District 7 Skate Park, skateboarders competed for the last time at the park’s “United We Shred” Skate Competition. The skate park will be dismantled to make way for the development of an ambulance substation to serve the Western portion of the Community.

“This will be the last skate competition we (SLA) will have here,” said Reuben Ringlero, who was the announcer at the competition.

The decision for the location was made back in May of this year. District 7 Community Council Representative Devin Redbird shared that the substation



Jennifer Perchero and her son Waylon Pahona share the historical significance of Mustering In Day. Kyle Knox/GRIN

will address the long wait times Community members face in times of emergency.

The skate competition proceeded, with the skaters participating in the final event at the soon-to-be dismantled park.

Scoping and preliminary planning meetings are under way for the site of the substation.

Winners for the competition in their respective brackets:

Van Johns (1st), Jacob Jones (1st), Jojo Johns (2nd), Antonio Hernandez (3rd), Adrian Thomas (1st), Jeremy Rhodes (2nd), Byron Donahue (3rd).



Basket dancers from two groups join in unity for a performance under the ramada. Kyle Knox/GRIN

GRIC youth get a helping hand

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

Essential supplies can be difficult to come by for children and families running on limited funds or in foster care, but thanks to a local organization, they can get the things they need. Arizona Helping Hands and the Gila River Indian Community teamed up to provide donations to 500 children in care of the Community on Sept. 6.

“We want to give great thanks, these items will be donated to the residential program for youth,” said Sunshine Whitehair, acting Director for Tribal Social Services. She said the donated items will not only go to the youth home within the Community, but will also go to the family advocacy center where families go in times of crisis.

“We have partnered extensively with the Gila River Indian Community, there’s actually case workers from the Community, that show up on a fairly regular basis to pick-up primary support (supplies) for families,” said Dan Shufelt, President & CEO of AHH.

AHH provides supplies for children in foster care in the state of Arizona, including tribal centers, donating items such as new cribs or beds, diapers, toiletries, clothing and safety equipment.

Shufelt said, “We have



Tribal Social Services and Arizona Helping Hands show the items donated to the Residential Program for Youth. Courtesy of AHH

a mutually supportive relationship with the Community, that we have received funding in the past through the state shared gaming resources.” He said filling a large 18,000-square-foot facility requires a lot help, which is why they are thankful for the support, that comes from the Community and national organizations.

Shufelt said, “It’s cool to connect with tribal communities, such as Gila River, and we understand within these communities the resources aren’t available.” He said working with communities all over the state allows, AHH to make resources available to families and children through



The donations are unloaded. Courtesy of AHH

the donations.

He said through the donations, “We try to be able to do some little part to make these kids’ lives a little more hopeful, more stable and safer is what we

are all about.”

With the donations to the Community, AHH will have donated a total of 5,500 backpacks filled with school supplies to children this year.

Student-athlete contributing in track & field at ASU

Freshman running cross country



Lee Nasewytewa during a competition for ASU. Courtesy of Steven Nasewytewa
Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

One student is making strides at the collegiate level while representing the Gila River Indian Community. Lee Nasewytewa, an Arizona State University Track and Field freshman is starting out his first semester running cross country.

Right out of the gate, Nasewytewa has made a good impression among his teammates, contributing to the team’s first-place finishes at two meets this season.

“He actually hung with the pack, with others that were junior and senior classman. He was nervous, but he wasn’t intimidated,” said Lee’s father Steven Nesewytewa.

In his first cross-country meet in a Sun Devil uniform, Lee finished 16th out of 36 entries at the Cactus Open on Aug. 31 in Tucson.

Additionally, Lee has maintained a good pace with the junior and senior classmen from other teams. Steven said, “He did what he could with the abilities that he has. He’s staying with the lead pack longer.”

Steven said, Lee has received a good reception since coming on-board, even of those from other tribes such as the Navajo Nation and Hopi Tribe, who are on the female cross-country team.

He said, “They are seniors, but they really look after him and have taken him under their wing. They’re happy to see another Native runner on the team, representing his community at this level of competition.”

In his recent cross-country meet, Lee notched his place up a bit, finishing 13th overall among a field of runners representing teams from California at the USD Invitational in Mission Bay San Diego. At meet, the Sun Devils took first place edging out Cal State Fullerton for the top spot.

Gathering will bring together youth

Emma Hughes
Gila River Indian News

Gila River Indian Community member, Joseph Davis from District 5 has been organizing a first-ever four-tribes youth gathering; "Vecij O'odham Hemapa" will take place Saturday, Oct. 26, at the Sacaton Fairgrounds from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. for O'odham youth between the ages of 13-24. The event will host speakers and demonstrations on the traditional men's and women's games, traditional roles and teachings for men and women, agriculture, entertainment, and much more.

The purpose of the gathering is to encourage youth to take on traditional teachings from the four sister tribes; Gila River Indian Community, Toho-

no O'odham Nation, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, and the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

"O'odham himdag is something that everyone, especially young people, should be utilizing and living with everyday," says Davis. The full-day program of events will focus on teaching and celebrating O'odham culture. "This is not going to be like a regular conference. This is truly just a gathering. We're going to get back to what we use to do and that's putting technology down and just coming together for the sake of culture, our himdag," said Davis who has put together a planning committee that has been working on the gathering for the past 10 months.

Davis who has been actively involved in the

Community, has served on the Akimel O'odham/Pee Posh Youth Council and developed into somewhat of a local celebrity alongside his brothers, who in the past have created comedic videos on social media that related to O'odham life. "Learning our culture can be hard and it can be intimidating. But going forward, we need to work together to remove whatever obstacles there are and to carry on our teachings and culture," said Davis, and encourages all youth to join the event and see what it's all about.

For more information on the event or to register, you can contact Joseph Davis at (520) 858-4841 or visit the website at www.vecijoodhamhemapa.com.

GRIC crews restoring forest

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

Projects to restore the environment are being conducted in one national forest by a Gila River Indian Community crew. This summer, the GRIC Department of Environmental Quality's Fuels and Restoration Crew has been in the San Juan National Forest in Colorado performing fire risk mitigation and timber stand improvement operations.

The crew has been working on a fuels management project, completing 17 of 31 acres, that they have been contracted to treat. "Last year, we took the contract to treat a 31-acre plot, and we finished 14-acres. This year, we completed the remaining 17-acres," said Dr. Russell Benford, Environmental Program Manager of DEQ's Wildlife and Ecosystems Management Program.

"In the San Juan National Forest where the crew is working, oak creates a fire risk by providing ladder fuel, and beetles are harmful to Ponderosa pine trees," said Steven Poolheco, Habitat Restoration Crew Leader. He said with a crew of six people, there



From left, Ashton Lynch, Ivan Castillo, Mariah Clark, Bernard Crowley, Robert Blaine, Steven Poolheco. Photo Courtesy DEQ

is a lot of ground to cover, but the crew was able to clear, cut and pile Gamble oak and was able to fell dangerous Ponderosa pine trees.

Poolheco said, "[We] are reducing the small diameter oak and all the beetle-killed trees. The trees that we are leaving, we are limbing up and pulling out for pulp." Many of the trees that have been cut down are infested with mountain pine beetle, causing the trees to rot and die.

The U.S. Forest Service has enlisted the help of DEQ's Fuels Crew to clear-out and cut down trees that are of low ecological value. Benford said, "The Forest Service knows that their resource base is diminished and is turning to our crew to restore it to a more ecologically healthy state."

"The Forest Service has a certain target density

of trees to keep the forest healthy. We are dropping trees that are marked, that are green, so that the Forest Service can meet its target basal area (volume of standing wood) to keep the forest healthy," said Ashton Lynch, Habitat Restoration Crew Leader.

High densities of trees such as the Gamble oak pose a risk to Ponderosa pine. Benford said, "Gamble oak is a shrubby type of oak that creates ladder fuel. Ladder fuel helps a ground fire climb up into the canopy, or top part of the Ponderosa forest."

Benford said that Ponderosa pines are adapted to frequent, low intensity fires, which occurred historically about every seven years. That has all changed due to recent forest management strategies, and has allowed the build-up of fuels such as pine cones, tiny trees and duff (fine fuel on the ground).

While the crew is in the San Juan National Forest, three to four of the sawyers are receiving valuable training that could improve their opportunities and pay. Benford said professional development on projects such as this brings skills back to the Community that teach other crew members.

"It's a chance to get the crew in some real timber and them qualified in sawyer-ship," said Poolheco. Lynch said, "Being on the Fuels Crew opens doors



Steven Poolheco felling a beetle dead Ponderosa pine (snag). Photo Courtesy DEQ

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for people who aren't sure what they want to do next in their careers." She said that working on projects outside of the Community provides opportunities and qualifications that will go a long way, possibly with other Tribal, State and Federal natural resource management agencies.

Next year, the crew has an opportunity to work on a 10,000-acre plantation of trees managed by the USFS. "They (USFS) plan to get rid of that plantation-style structure. If a fire ripped through there, it would just take everything out, nothing would stay, because of the same size and

the age of all those trees," said Lynch.

Community partners such as GRIC's Employment and Training program and the Pima Agency's Wildland Fire program recruit individuals who are interested in pursuing careers in habitat management and wildland firefighting. Benford said the opportunities are rewarding for those who like being outdoors while building their technical competencies.

He said that generally the Fuels Crew positions are funded by grants from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, while the work out in the San Juan National For-

est is paid for by contracts from the USFS. "All the funds that the crew generates on external projects turnaround and pay for personnel, supplies and equipment that the crew uses to reduce fire risk and improve wildlife habitat and cultural resources here in the Community" said Benford. He said that grants and contracts from the BIA and USFS make this work possible.

DEQ's Fuels Crew has been working in the San Juan National Forest since mid-August. They'll return and resume work in the Community at the end of September.

Pesticide Control Office

Termites & Your Home

Termites are regarded as one of the major pests in urban community environments, often dreaded because of their devastating effects on wood in homes and structures. However, they play a vital role in the natural environment by recycling wood and other cellulose-based organic matter and returning it to the soil.

During favorable times of the year, usually associated with a rain event, the winged termites called "alates" leave the colony in large numbers, often millions, to reproduce and start new colonies. Within weeks, the female (queen) lays eggs, with the first batch developing into workers that perform various tasks within the colony and are primarily the ones responsible for the consumption of cellulose material.

Unfortunately, homes and other structures which consist of cellulose materials, such as wood and even the paper on the back of dry-wall, are very inviting to termites. Each year, termites cause more than \$5 billion in property damage - costs that are sometimes very difficult to cover. This is why being vigilant about termite control is so important. To ensure proper treatment, the GRIC Pesticide Code requires that termites can only be treated by a certified applicator whose business is permitted by the Pesticide Control Office.

If you suspect your home may be affected by termites, please contact our office for a listing of pest management companies who are permitted to conduct pest control within the Community.

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Gila River Hotels & Casinos announced as official hotel and casino of the Arizona Cardinals

Kyle Knox
Gila River Indian News

A partnership 15 years in the making became official between the Gila River Hotels & Casinos and Arizona Cardinals.

Gila River Hotels & Casinos is now the official hotel and casino of the Arizona Cardinals. Two Arizona Cardinals suites are currently available at the Wild Horse Pass Hotel and Vee Quiva Hotel launching the new partnership for patrons of those hotels.

The Wild Horse Pass Hotel suite, officially unveiled, the morning of Thursday, Sept. 17 to Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Community Council Representatives Devin Redbird and Charles Goldtooth. Cardinals mascot Big Red was also in attendance for

the momentous occasion.

After seeing the suite, Gov. Lewis said, "This has been a long time coming. Becoming the official hotel and casino partner of the Arizona Cardinals is something we've been building towards."

Gov. Lewis further shared, "This partnership is a great step forward for us, and I know there will be a lot of great new opportunities in the future."

Dominic Orozco, Chief Marketing Officer for Gila River Hotels & Casinos, said that the Arizona Cardinals chose to design the layout and décor for both suites.

The suite sits on the tenth floor providing a scenic view of the Community's land and surrounding areas. Fit for a true Cardi-



Community Council Representatives Charles Goldtooth and Devin Redbird with Big Red and Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis in front of the signed Larry Fitzgerald jersey. Kyle Knox/GRIN

nals fan the suite is adorned with a custom door, signed jersey of Larry Fitzgerald, and seat from an Arizona Cardinals board room.

A similar room can be found on the second floor at the Vee Quiva Hotel with minor differences between the two. For instance, Wild

Horse Pass Hotels suite has carpeted floors while Vee Quiva Hotels suite has wood floors.

Partnerships between

NFL franchises and tribal casino entities are rare. Gila River Hotel and Casinos joins a small cohort of partnerships throughout all of Indian Country.

Orozco also said the partnership now allows Gila River Hotels & Casinos to incorporate both logos at all three entities. Patrons will see Cardinals themed rooms, decorations, promos, and poker table felts adorned with the Cardinals logo going forward.

Because Gila River Hotels & Casinos is a sports-centered brand, they are considering the possibility of establishing similar partnerships with other sports teams they sponsor. Those teams include the Arizona Diamondbacks, Arizona Coyotes, and Arizona State University.

9/11 Remembrance GRIC holds event for Patriots Day



Crowds gathered around the entrance of the Governance Center to honor the flags. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Emma Hughes
Gila River Indian News

The Gila River Indian Community took a moment to remember the tragic event of the attacks on September 11, 2001. On the morning of the 18th anniversary Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Lt. Gov. Robert Stone and others spoke

during the Patriots Day ceremony at the Governance Center. First responders and members of the Armed Forces were recognized for their service in preserving our nations freedom.

Lt. Gov. Robert Stone called for a moment of prayer for the families of those who lost a loved one during the attacks on 9/11,

as flags were put to half staff. Gov. Lewis, who spoke about the sacrifices made by first responders at the site of the World Trade Center and those lost during the attacks on the Pentagon and passengers who stood in the face of terror on the United Airlines Flight 93, "We're still remembering what happened to our country. Our prayers go out to those fallen and their families," said Gov. Lewis.

Urban Giff, Ira H. Hays Post 84 shared his recollection of the tragic events, "it committed our first responders to do their job in a most difficult situation and they did a tremendous job and some paid the price for that," said Giff. There was a vast response from first responders all



Gov. Lewis and Lt. Gov. Stone pose with GRIC first responders on Sept. 11. Emma Hughes/GRIN

over the country, including the Gila River Fire Department, to volunteer and proceed to New York to assist in anyway they could. A moment of silence was

held for the victims from the World Trade Center, American Airlines flight 11, United Airlines Flight 175, Flight 93, American Airlines Flight 77 and the

Pentagon in Washington. To conclude the events, Ira H. Hays Post 84 honor guard performed a gun salute and taps.

Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino hosts IIM training for tribes

Emma Hughes
Gila River Indian News

"Securing the Future of Native Trusts" an Individual Indian Monies (IIM) training for tribes. Tribes from several regions joined together for a two-day training event hosted by the National Training Center for Indian Social Services (NTCISS) Center for Excellence. The training was held at the Wild Horse Pass Casino and Hotel, September 10-11. The training was

geared to government and tribal employees working within the social service fields.

GRIC Member Tim Terry from District 2 gave an opening prayer, and Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis shared words with attendees. Tribal members and employees from; Tohono O'odham Nation, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, Ak-Chin Indian Community, and Colorado River Indian Tribes attended the training event.

Karen Lindquist, Assistant Solicitor, Branch of Trust Services, Division of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior, gave a history on IIM and when she began working with it twenty years ago where she has helped turn the four-page code of federal regulations to its current twenty-five pages, making it more comprehensive and clearer with relevance to its purpose. The goal of the training is to have a better understanding of the historical

development of Individual Indian Monies and the federal laws that regulate IIM account management.

The NTCISS Center for Excellence was built to serve social service staff under both the tribes and the BIA as a training and information hub, which offers on-demand access to resources and training it maintains a collection of centralized training materials available for Social service staff.



Gov. Lewis (standing), with Bryan Bowker, gives a welcome address. Emma Hughes/GRIN

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

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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, September 4, 2019, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:16 a.m.

INVOCATION

Provided by Councilman Arzie Hogg

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, Rodney Jackson; D4-Monica Antone, Delmar Jones, Pamela Johnson; D5-Marlin Dixon, Thomas White; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr., Terrance Evans; D7-Devin Redbird

Council Members Absent:

D4-Jennifer Allison; D5-Janice Stewart, Franklin Pablo, Sr.; D6-Charles Goldtooth

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND to table Report #11 and Resolutions #28, #29, #31 and #32; in regards to the consent agenda, accept Reports #1 through #8, #10 and #13 through #16; accept and approve Resolutions #1 through #26; accept and approve New Business #2, #3, #4, and #6

MOTION MADE AND SECOND to dispense New Business #1 AND approve the regular agenda as amended PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS (Limit to 15 minutes)

*1. Introduction Of Joshua Billison, First Things First Regional Director Gila River Indian Community
Presenters: Isaac Salcido, Joshua Billison
Mr. Isaac Salcido introduced Mr. Joshua Billison. Mr. Billison provided a brief overview of his background and his position. Various Council Members and Governor Stephen R. Lewis expressed words of welcome.

2. Request For Introduction-Kathy Garcia, Fire Chief Of The Gila River Fire Department
Presenter: Kathyeen Curley

Ms. Kathyeen Curley introduced Ms. Kathy Garcia. Ms. Garcia provided a brief overview of her background and expressed words of gratitude. Various Council members and Governor Stephen R. Lewis expressed words of congratulations and encouragement.

REPORTS

*1. Sacaton Elementary School District #18 FY19 Tribal Allocation 3rd Quarter Report

Presenters: Wanda Burton, Andre Gillespie

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*2. Casa Blanca Community School FY19 Tribal Allocation 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Kim Franklin

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*3. Blackwater Community School FY19 Tribal Allocation 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Jagdish Sharma

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*4. Saint Peter Indian Mission School FY19 Tribal Allocation 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Sister Martha

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*5. Maricopa Village Christian School FY19 Tribal Allocation 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Al Chatman

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*6. Gila Crossing Community School FY19 Tribal Allocation 3rd Quarter Report

Presenter: Jim Mosley

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*7. FY 2018- 2019 2nd Qtr. Report Ira H. Hayes Auxiliary Unit 84

Presenter: Carletta McDaniel

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>8. Gila River Indian Community Arizona State University

Online Scholarship Rise Up

Presenter: Jennifer Hinton

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

9. Travel Report, 3rd Quarter – Fiscal Year 2019

Presenter: Treasurer Robert Keller

REPORT HEARD

>10. Gila River Asset Management – Great Call Rapid Response System 3rd Quarter Report

Presenters: Clarice Chiago-Jones, Board of Directors

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>11. Ira H. Hayes Post 84 3rd Quarter Report 2019
Presenter: Bill Dixon

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>12. 2014 RHIP Housing Construction Report

Presenter: JoAnn Garcia

REPORT HEARD

>13. Gookin Engineers, Ltd. - Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Report

Presenter: Edward Gookin

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>14. Keller Bliesner Engineering LLC - Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Report

Presenter: Brian Westfall

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>15. Monthly Financial Activity Report ending July 31, 2019 (Executive Session)

Presenter: Treasurer Robert Keller

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>16. Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP – Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenter: Jason Hauter, Donald Pongrace

ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

17. Gaming Commission General Report to the Community Council for July 2019 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Duane Johns, Courtney Moyah

MOTION MADE AND SECOND to accept Reports #17 and #18

18. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly Report for July 2019 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Kenneth Manuel, Interim Oversight & Planning Committee

ACCEPTED AT REPORT #17

RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution Approving The Memorandum Of Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community Tribal Education Department And Tempe Union High School District No. 213 (ESC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Isaac Salcido

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Holbrook For The Holbrook Police Department Patrol Vehicles (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Pinal County For The Medical Forensic Services Department Forensic Nurse On-Call Registry (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Guadalupe For Cultural Heritage Events Programming (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>5. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Guadalupe For The Community Action Program Human Services And Economic

Assistance Programs (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>6. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Florence For The Florence Police Department Portable Radios (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>7. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Quartzsite For The Quartzsite Police Department Brite Computers (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>8. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Avondale For Avondale Fire & Medical Department Water Tender (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>9. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For The Boys & Girls Clubs Of The Casa Grande Valley Teen Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>10. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For The City Manager's Office High School Summer Internship Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>11. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For The Natural Resource Education Center Fun Filled Ag-Ventures (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>12. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Casa Grande For Pinal Hispanic Council/Cesar Chavez Memorial Committee Of Pinal County Scholarship Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>13. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The Boys & Girls Clubs Of The East Valley After School STEM Education And E-Sports (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>14. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The

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Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For The American Red Cross Of Greater Phoenix Bloodmobile (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>15. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Circle The City Medical Respite Care Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>16. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Hospice Of The Valley (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>17. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Native American Connections Patina Mountain Preserve Wellness Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>18. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Ryan House End Of Life Services For Children (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>19. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Maricopa County For Arizona YMCA Metropolitan Phoenix Own It Financial Education (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>20. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Scottsdale For Apollo Foundation Inc., DbA Care Fund Mortgage And Rent Assistance Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>21. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Scottsdale For Cortney's Place Quality Of Life Activities For Adults With Severe Disabilities (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>22. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Scottsdale For The Office Of Diversity And Inclusion Mayor's Committee On Employment Of People With Disabilities Scholarship Awards Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>23. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Star Valley For The Playground Zip Line Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>24. Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe Human Services/Dennis J. Cahill Senior Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>25. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe Community Services Multi-Generational Facilities STEM Afterschool Recreation Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>26. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Tempe Community Services Pyle Adult Recreation Center (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>27. A Resolution Establishing A Housing Owner's Team For Housing Owner's Team Planning, Financing, Development, Design And Construction Of Much Needed Living Facilities For Community Members On The Tribal Housing Waiting List And Approving The Housing Owner's Team Bylaws (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval with changes)

Presenters: Javier Ramos, Michael Carter

APPROVED

>28. A Resolution Approving An Intergovernmental Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And The Arizona Department Administration Office Of Grants And Federal Resources 9-1-1 Program Grant Agreement GFR-AZ911-20-005 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the Consent Agenda; LSC concurs)

Presenter: Teresa Villescaz

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>29. A Resolution Authorizing The Community Services Department To Conduct An Assessment Of The Needs Of Community Elders And To Apply For The U.S. Government Older Americans Act Title VI Grant (H&SSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Regina Antone-Smith

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>30. A Resolution Approving The Petition For Membership For Calvin Ward Fred Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Sheila A. Valenzuela

APPROVED

>31. A Resolution Approving An Intergovernmental Operating Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And The Maricopa County Sheriff's Office As Required By The Arizona Department Of Administration Office Of Grants (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the consent agenda)

Presenter: Teresa Villescaz

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>32. A Resolution Approving An Intergovernmental Operating Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And The Pinal County Sheriff's Office As Required By The Arizona Department Of Administration Office Of Grants (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval under the consent agenda)

Presenter: Teresa Villescaz

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ORDINANCES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

*1. First Things First Early Childhood Summit August 26-27, 2019-Phoenix Convention Center (ESC forwards to Council under New Business for any interested Council member to attend under Dues and Delegations)

Presenter: Joshua Billison

DISPENSED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>2. Tribal / Treasury Advisory Committee FACA Desig-

nation (G&MSC forwards to Council with endorsement of Lacey Horn on the Tribal/Treasury Advisory Committee FACA Designation with additional material)

Presenters: Robert Yoder, Linus Everling

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>3. 2019 NAFOA Fall Finance & Tribal Economies Conference October 6-8, 2019 – Prior Lake, MN (G&MSC forwards to Council for any interested Council member to attend utilizing Dues & Delegations, under the Consent Agenda)

Presenters: Government & Management Standing Committee

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

>4. Global Gaming Expo (G2E) October 14-17, 2019 – Las Vegas, NV (G&MSC forwards to Council for any interested Council member to attend utilizing Dues & Delegations)

Presenter: Government & Management Standing Committee

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. Interim Water Use Permitting Policies And Procedures (NRSC forwards to Council under New Business and Direct the Office of General Counsel to conduct one Public Meeting to be held in District 5)

Presenter: Casaundra Wallace

MOTION MADE AND SECOND to accept

Governor Stephen R. Lewis and Councilwoman Monica Antone excused themselves from the meeting. Lt. Governor Robert Stone began chairing the meeting.

>6. GRHC Letter of Request of Council Orientation (H&SSC forwards to Council with a date to be determined by Gila River Health Care's Executive Assistant and Council Secretary White) Presenter: Myron Schurz

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND to enter Executive Session

7. Report Of Investigation (Executive Session) (LSC forwards to Council to schedule a Special Council Meeting to review the Investigative Report and view body camera footage)

Presenter: David Rosenbaum

ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND to eXIT Executive Session

MOTION MADE AND SECOND to have video footage downloaded to Council devices and HAVE a Special meeting on September 12, 2019 at 9am

MINUTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

~Glow Walk, Sacaton Middle School track, Wednesday, September 4, 2019, 6:30 p.m.

~Prayers requested for Daniel Pachero's Family

~ESC Work Session with Employment & Training, Thursday, September 5, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

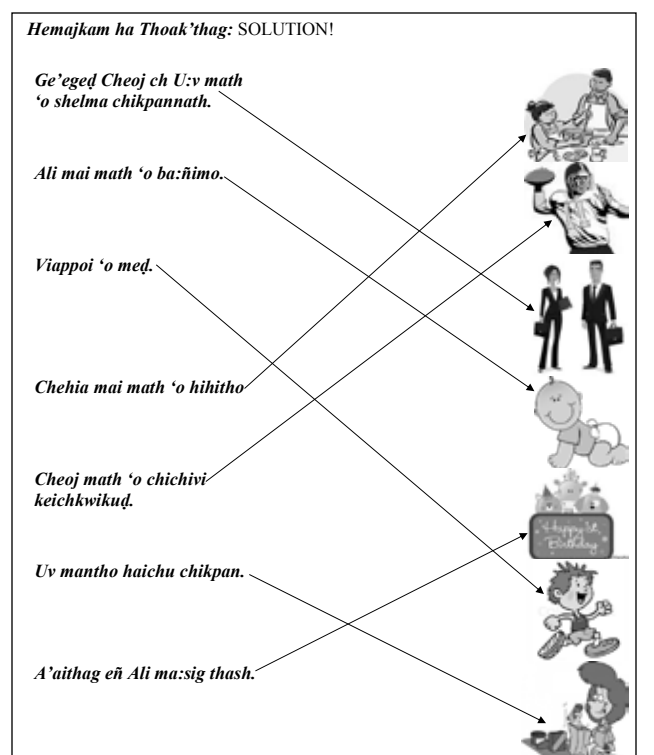
~District 7 Mustering In Days Celebration, Saturday, September 7, 2019

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:42 A.M.

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

> Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM



HHC hosts chalk art event

Emma Hughes
Gila River Indian News

On Friday, Sept. 7, the Huhugam Heritage Center (HHC) hosted a “chalk art” themed event featuring O’odham artists who demonstrated their art on the walls of the entrance of the building while crafts and art vendors lined the sides for an evening of outdoor fun, food, and games for the whole family. Featured artists from the Community included: Melissa Yazzie, Tiffany Enos and Paul Molina.



Doodles on the steps of the Huhugam Heritage center with guests in the background. Emma Hughes/GRIN

Games for both children and adults included: water balloon toss, races, musical chairs and even a game of Family Feud. Brothers Anthony and Joseph Davis from District 5 served as MC’s for the evening, facilitating the games and keeping the fun going.

The Huhugam Heritage Center has been closed due to construction on their exhibit space that will be completed next year. During this time the Center has and will continue to host programs and events both on and off-site during the closure.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Coach; Baseball: Head Coach, Assistant Coach; Girls’ Softball: Head Coach, Assistant Coach
Head Coaching positions: \$1080.00 paid at end of season; Assistant Coaching positions: \$720.00 paid at

end of season (for a sport to qualify for an assistant coach there needs to be a minimum player number met)
Contact: Mr. Babcock at sbabcock@sacatonschools.org

NOTIFICATION

The Natural Resources Standing Committee passed the Interim Water Use Permitting Policies and Procedures under the authority of Title 15, Chapter 7, Section 15.709 of the Gila River Indian Community Code at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 27, 2019. A copy of the Interim Water Use Permitting Policies and Procedures in its entirety is available for review at all District Service Cen-

ters and the Community Council Secretary’s Office. Per Title 15, Chapter 7 of the Community Code, the Community will hold one public meeting for all interested persons to review and comment on the Interim Water Use Permitting Policies and Procedures. The Community will hold one public meeting regarding the Interim Water Use Permitting Policies and Procedures at the District 5 Service Center

on October 1, 2019, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you are interested in providing comments to the Interim Water Use Permitting Policies and Procedures, please attend the public meeting. You may submit written comments to the Office of the General Counsel, Post Office Box 97, Sacaton, Arizona 85147.

CIVIL SUMMONS

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
STATE OF ARIZONA
MICHAELA CONSTANCE VASQUEZ
Petitioner/Plaintiff
vs.
MICHAEL MCCARTHY
CASE Number: FM-2019-0078-DV
CIVIL SUMMONS
TO: MICHAEL MCCARTHY
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that a

civil action has been filed against you in the Gila River Indian Community Court.
You shall respond at an ANSWER, RESPONSE HEARING regarding this matter on: Monday, October 21, 2019 at 10:00 AM in Courtroom I, AKIMEL O’OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, 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.

CIVIL SUMMONS

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PINAL
Lori Pomeranz
Plaintiff(s),
V.
Cecilio Duncan Osuna, et al.
Defendant(s).
Case No. S1100CV201900660
SUMMONS
To: Cecilio Duncan Osuna
WARNING: THIS AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT FROM THE COURT THAT AFFECTS YOUR RIGHTS. READ THIS SUMMONS CAREFULLY. IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND IT, CONTACT AN ATTORNEY FOR LE-

GAL ADVICE.
1. A lawsuit has been filed against you. A copy of the lawsuit and other court papers were served on you with this Summons.
2. If you do not want a judgment taken against you without your input, you must file an Answer in writing with the Court, and you must pay the required filing fee. To file your Answer, take or send the papers to Clerk of the Superior Court, 971 Jason Lopez Circle Building A, Florence, Arizona 85132 or electronically file your Answer through one of Arizona’s approved electronic filing systems at <http://www.azcourts.gov/eFilingInformation>. Mail a copy of the Answer to the other party, the

Plaintiff, at the address listed on the top of this Summons.
Note: If you do not file electronically you will not have electronic access to the documents in this case.
3. If this Summons and the other court papers were served on you within the State of Arizona, your Answer must be filed within TWENTY (20) CALENDAR DAYS from the date of service, not counting the day of service. If this Summons and the other court papers were served on you outside the State of Arizona, your Answer must be filed within THIRTY (30) CALENDAR DAYS from the date of service, not counting the day of service.

Hepatitis A: What We Should We Should Know

Community Health Department Gila River Indian Community

As the HEPATITIS A Virus (HAV) has emerged, here is some information you need to know. If we commonly think about the spread of Hepatitis A (HAV), it usually leads us to contaminated food and

water sources. Recently in the United States, the spread of HAV is commonly from person to person. As we know, some people, especially youth, do not always show signs of being sick. The Gila River Tribal Health Department would like you to know the following about the Hepatitis A Virus (HAV):

- HAV causes sickness of the liver.
- Hepatitis A virus is spread through contact with fecal matter (poop).
- You can get it from food or water that was contaminated by a person with Hepatitis A.
- HAV can also be spread through close physical contact with someone who has HAV.
- Risk factors such as being a sexual partner of someone with HAV, lack of safe water, injecting drugs, living in a household with an infected person, poor sanitation, and traveling to areas where HAV is common will increase your chances of getting the Hepatitis A Virus.
- Keeping safe from HAV includes washing hands thoroughly with soap and water before preparing or eating food, and after using the bathroom or chang-

- ing a diaper.
 - Heating food to the proper temperature, is also recommended.
 - Cooked food can transmit HAV if it has not been heated enough to kill the virus.
 - The HAV Vaccine is the best way to prevent an infection of Hepatitis A Virus.
 - Children Age 1 and older should be vaccinated.
 - Adults can receive a series of 2 injections 6 months apart through their health care provider.
 - Fever, joint pain, loss of appetite, stomach pain, nausea, yellow skin and eyes, dark urine (pee) and gray colored stools are common symptoms of HAV.
- If you think you or your child may have Hepatitis A or the symptoms of, contact your health care provider right away, the risk will depend on several things, which your doctor will consider. Please contact The Gila River Health Department Disease Surveillance Program if you have any further questions or need more information regarding the Hepatitis A Virus at (520) 562 – 5132.

AAPT 2019 CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019
7:00 am - 5:00 pm

<p>Sacaton Middle School 92 South Skill Center Rd. Sacaton, Arizona 85147 Registration Required: Hilma Gustafson 602-686-0718 hilma.gustafson@guhsdaz.org</p>	 GROUP Run Right.														
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<div style="text-align: center;"> Door Prizes </div> <p>Door prizes are great to receive. We encourage everyone to bring a small gift to give out as a door prize. Let your imagination run wild.</p>	<div style="text-align: center; background-color: #0070C0; color: white; padding: 5px;"> AAPT REGION REPRESENTIVES </div> <p>This is the time to start thinking about nominating someone or running for the board again. There are openings in each region. Region representatives must be a member of the association for a minimum of (1) year prior to conference, and must be able to travel to meetings, and must be able to attend and assist at all functions and events.</p>														
<p>Patrick opens this year’s conference keynote address. He is a board certified behavior analyst, a certified speaker, trainer, a coach with the John Maxwell Team, and a cancer survivor. He is an educational consultant and was recently promoted to assistant director of autism and student independence for the Auburn School District #408 in Washington state. Patrick is well-known across the student transportation industry for his humor, passion and expertise</p>															
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Testing for the Native Language Teacher Certification

The Tribal Education Department will be administering a test for Community Members seeking certification from the Arizona Department of Education to teach the Akimel O’otham language.

Thursday October 3, 2019
9:00am

Requirements:

- At least 18 years of age
- Completed TED Application
- Copy of Tribal ID or Certificate of Indian Blood
- Valid Identity Verified Prints (IVP) Card
- Must be employed or have recently applied for employment with the Gila River Indian Community or an educational institute which services Gila River Indian Community Members
- \$60 Fee to be paid to the Arizona Department of Education

Contact Anthony Gray at the Tribal Education Department for more information
Email: Anthony.Gray@gric.nsn.us
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