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GRIC COVID-19 Vaccine Programs Forge On to Reach Community Immunity

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The Gila River Indian Community's program to vaccinate members against COVID-19 continues to move forward, with vaccinations available by appointment through Gila River Health Care and at Mobile Vaccination Unit (MVU) events in multiple GRIC districts.

Thus far, the program has administered more than 24,000 vaccinations. As of Sept. 28, 51 percent of adults who reside within GRIC boundaries are fully vaccinated.

The District 5 Service Center MVU event on Saturday, Sept. 18 provided primary and booster shots for 49 individuals, including many younger Community

members.

"I want to be safe from COVID, I don't want to get others sick and I want to keep myself safe," said Natalie Lopez, 12, who received her second dose of the vaccine along with her two sisters, Alicia and Esperer Lopez from District 4. The Lopez girls shared that they chose to get vaccinated to be safe for their family and those around them.

Samiria Juan, D5, former Jr. Miss Gila River, also received her second dose of the vaccine. She chose to get vaccinated to protect her younger brothers, who are both high-risk.

"It'll help a lot of people, especially yourself," said Juan. "I strongly encourage other

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49 people were vaccinated at MVU event held at the District 5 Service Center on Sept. 18. Another MVU was held in District 6, where over two dozen individuals also received their vaccinations. Emma Hughes/GRIN

Valley School District Honors Local Native American Communities During Flag Presentation

Emma Hughes

Gila River Indian News

Tempe Union High School District (TUHSD) held a flag presentation to recognize the Gila River Indian Community, Ak-Chin Indian Community, Navajo Nation, Pascua Yaqui Tribe and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community by posting their tribal flags in the TUHSD Governing Board Room.

The flag presentation, a first for the school district, took place on Sept. 15 just before TUHSD's regularly scheduled governing board meeting.

"Given that students representing 19 of the state's 22 tribes TUHSD schools, Our historic presence in the area must be recognized" said Ismael Osuna, a Pascua Yaqui tribal member and parent to a student in the school district.

"If you look around, there's nothing that identifies or acknowledges any of our tribal communities at Tempe Union," said Osuna. "Our students need to feel a sense of belonging, they need to feel included and valued."

Osuna took on the initiative to have the flags posted after the Tucson Unified School District (TUSD) conducted a formal posting of the Pascua Yaqui and Tohono O'odham Nation flags in the TUSD board room chambers in 2019.

Guadalupe, which also sends students to TUHSD, is the second largest Yaqui community outside of Tucson. "This is a really monumental moment for us, to be recognized, to be able to fly the colors of the nations," said Valerie Molina, Mayor of Guadalupe.

"It's a collective effort, but we're here to recognize our friends, our students, who represent a number of our tribal neighbors. It's just an honor to have this opportunity to have this in our district," said Dr. Kevin J. Mendivil, TUHSD Superintendent.

"To see the tribal flags flown here, it signifies a very important statement – the recognition of



From L-R: TUHSD Superintendent Dr. Kevin J. Mendivil, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Vice-President Ricardo Leonard, Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Ak-Chin Indian Community Vice-Chairman Lemuel Vincent, Pascua Yaqui Chairman Peter Yucupicio and TUHSD Governing Board President Brian Garcia. Emma Hughes/GRIN

sovereign nations," said Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis who was present for the historic event. Nearly 30 GRIC students are currently enrolled in TUHSD schools.

"I see this as true partnership,"

said Gov. Lewis. "For the Gila River Indian Community, we will definitely value this and look at ways we can support Native American education here in the Tempe Union High School District, as well as supporting the

sovereign nations," said Gov. said Gov. Lewis. "For the Gila education of our students here Stephen Roe Lewis who was River Indian Community, we moving forward."

Brian Garcia, TUHSD Governing Board President and a Pascua Yaqui member said, "It is very important to us as a school

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ASU Labriola Center Appoints Alex Soto as Director

Gila River Indian News Staff

Arizona State University's Labriola National American Indian Data Center has named Alex Soto as its director. Soto, appointed July 1st, is the Center's first Indigenous person to serve as director since it was established in 1993. Labriola is now Indigenous-led and staffed by Indigenous peoples - a fact that should foster an Indigenous perspective as the Center continues to expand.

Soto is Tohono O'odham and grew up in Phoenix. His parents are Joe Charles and Matilda Miguel-Charles and his grandparents are Andrew and Rachel Miguel, originally from Sells. Soto earned his Bachelor of Science in American Indian Studies and his Master of Arts in Library & Information Science. As director of the Labriola Center, Soto says he's passionate about meeting the information needs of Indigenous students, faculty and tribal communities.

"I never imagined I would be in this role, but I've always been one that looks to share information that is important to our people," said Soto, who has worked at Labriola since 2019 and worked for the Phoenix Public Library be-

fore that. "I believe that my years of land defense, performing music, and starting from the bottom at libraries manifested in this opportunity."

The Labriola Center, an Indigenous library within the ASU Library system, is a repository of research materials, books, audio and visual items, and historical documents, most of them created by Indigenous scholars and creators. There are two Labriola locations: one at ASU's West Campus in Fletcher Library and one at the Tempe Campus in the Hayden Library. ASU is the only state university with dedicated spaces for Indigenous library materials.

Over the next year, Soto plans to enhance the Tempe Labriola Center to host expanded activities, including workshops, book and poetry readings, lectures, music performances and more.

"I was a first-generation college student at ASU and now I'm a librarian here," said Soto. "I feel a responsibility to make culturally safe learning spaces within ASU. The Labriola Center is an essential service for the ASU Indigenous community since we support and affirm tribally-driven research. We also support Native students



Alex Soto stands before a custom table designed with O'otham basket designs that illuminate within the Labriola Center inside ASU's Hayden Library in Tempe. Kyle Knox/GRIN

by teaching workshops to devel- O'odham roots for preparing him op their research skills and we are forhis new leadership role. "As always available for one-on-one student appointments. Overall, we to promote and protect our conseek to support the information needs of Arizona tribal communities and I'm most proud of our cultural protocols. I believe my community-driven archive workshops which teach tribal members on how to preserve their family histories."

Soto credits his Tohono

O'odham, it's our responsibility temporary himdag, which at times means restricting access due to staff and I will highlight how Indigenous librarians and archivists are modern day memory keepers in tribal communities."

"Overall, I decided to get Getting vaccinated will protect vaccinated to be safe around my family," she said. "I know with me GRIC member Josephine being vaccinated, it will make the visits by family members safe for them and me."

Appointment for vaccinations the decision to get vaccinated was and for booster shots can be scheduled at a Gila River Health Care primary care facility by calling (602) 528-1482. For more information, including testing and vaccination dates and sites, visit grhc.org/hub or call the John explained that she had COVID-19 hotline at (520) 550-

GRIC MVU's From Front Page

youth or people in general in the Community to get their vaccination, so they can keep themselves and others safe."

GRIC members vaccinated at the event received gift cards and a choice of a t-shirt, stickers or a pop socket provided by the District 5 Service Center.

Gifts were also given at the District 6 MVU event held at the Learning Center on Sept. 25, where about two dozen Community members came to get COVID-19 vaccinations.

"I came in to get vaccinated for my grandson. There's no vaccine at his age, so it is important that I get vaccinated, because I babysit him every day," District 6.

Talamantez cited COVID case numbers as a reason to get vaccinated, especially for people who visit or live around family members. It was a reason heard frequently from those getting vaccinated.

"I work in oncology right now around cancer patients," said Precious Jose, a GRIC urban member. "I thought about the patients I see and most of all my

kids. Think about your family and all those who are around you. them as well."

said Denise Talamantez from John, District 6, said with different variants of COVID-19 being transmitted from person to person, an easy one.

> "I realized it's not something that will go away soon, because there are so many people who are getting sick and in some cases dying," said John.

been hesitant to get vaccinated, having heard rumors about the vaccine, but later changed her



Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis holds up the GRIC flag that will be recognized in the Tempe Union High School District Governing Board room. Emma Hughes/GRIN

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district to honor our governmentto-government relationships that often get forgotten or left behind.'

Ak-Chin Indian Community, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and Pascua Yaqui

Tribal dignitaries from the Tribe were present for the flag that you have opened up your mind posting, including Peter Yucupicio, Pascua Yaqui Chairman.

"I think it's a beautiful thing Chairman Yucupicio.

and your heart to welcome us here in this intuition of learning," said

Culture Corner

Vashai Gakithag Mashath

Submitted by

Huhugam Heritage Center

Dry Grass Month marks the ending of summer and the beginning of fall. After the Autumnal Equinox, the days slowly begin to get shorter and nights longer. In the aftermath of the record breaking summer rains, we have witnessed a huge growth of different plants within our community. Our Hekiu O'otham have named native and introduced plants on our landscape. Some plants observed belong in the vashai (grasses) category, while others belong in the sha'i (brush) category of plants.

We will take a closer look at a few of the plants readily observed on any given day. Chu:huggia, Palmer's Carelessweed, Palmer's Amaranth. Some O'otham still gather the fresh small leaves and cook as wild spinach. The tiny black seeds on the seedhead spikelet's gathered and parched. The roasted seeds mixed with other foods as a thickener. Some of our southern relatives still make use of this important wild

Vi:bam. Climbing Milkweed, can be observed in certain parts of the community growing on fences, brush and trees. In former days O'otham collected the white sap and slow-boiled it into chewing tiny flowers provide.

Vakoa ha'hainig (cracked bottle-gourd), White horse-nettle. The Johnson Grass. name refers to how the dried berries easily crack easily identified. The dried plant. landscape. stands line the roadways.

A'al Hi:vai, Desert-

sunflower, are shorter than Wild-sunflower. Their name means that they are the children of Wild-sunflower, due to their short stature. The plants rarely exceed twentyfour inches in height. The flower-heads and petals are much smaller than those of Wild-sunflower. O'otham gum. When in bloom, recognize a'al hi:vai due the spiked flower-heads to its strong overpowering are not hard to miss. The odor, they tend to leave fragrant blossoms attract them alone. Because of the hummingbirds and insects strong odor, parents remind that feed on the nectar the their children not to gather the flowers.

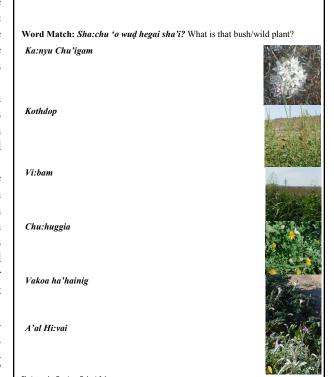
Ka:nyu Chu'igam (sugarcane it looks like), This introduced plant resembled the sugarcane plant, hence when they fall off the plant its O'otham name. With the in late fall. The light-violet abundant summer rainfall, colored flower petals form we can see how the tall the shape of a star and the stands of Johnson Grass bright yellow stamens are resembles the sugarcane In the desert fingernail-sized round fruits southwest it's considered were formerly used in the an invasive and noxious abundance of rain, large they use nutrients and water 8. that crops need.

> Sacred Kothdop,



Datura, Jimsonweed. The plant and flowers are toxic and O'otham tend to leave them alone. They are recognized as a dangerous plant on the landscape.

We encourage you to learn the plant names in O'otham. Speak with an Elder or Speaker and learn to say the names. Some plant names may be slightly different between villages. The word match will test your identification skills of a few plants by their appearance and flowers. Information for this article related from, At the Desert's Green Edge: An Ethnobotany of the Gila cheese making process. weed due to the damage it River Pima by Amadeo Rea, Today, it's considered can cause to cash-crops and 1997, University of Arizona a nuisance plant on the livestock. The tall plants Press. Answers to word/ With the eradicated from fields, as picture match found on page



Something to be told or talked about

Submitted by Billy Allen

Jegos 2021 - might be time to "think outside the box." When jegos/dust storm walked over, knocking vepgi/electricity, it got too hot to stay inside the home boxes. Some O'odham and Piipaash went to bigger box service centers or hotels for relief. Some slept "al fresco," as I fondly—somewhat—recall doing decades ago. Still, even with all this summer's rain climate change and a 20+ year drought, forced Central Arizona Project cut-backs to Pinal farmers. Maybe there will be some retro-empathy for what our hahajuñ went through when the akimel flow was taken from them.

How to tackle climate change? I am no expert I just throw stuff out there now and then. I have written about this before, but thinking outside the box maybe going back to basics could help.

What are the basics of our desert, besides being hot and little water? While the saguaro cactus comes to mind, the prickly pear (i:bhai) has possibilities to explore. Plastic is a culprit in climate change. Plastic sugar. And "those jujkam" WWII, rubber imports if we had fields of prickly pear growing on our lands? is There's debate warming. Their feed also requires a lot of water.

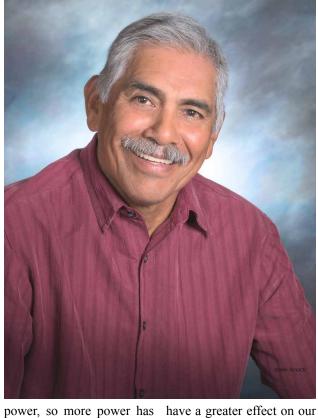
might get healthier. Studies the Great Depression stalled show it helps reduce blood further development. During vampire electricity wastes

production requires a lot of even came up with a way from SE Asia were cut off oil that emits greenhouse to make "vegan leather" and so the government gases, further warming our from prickly pear. If beef turned to guayule as a Earth. A research team in consumption did go down, substitute. After the war Mexico has developed a the fashion industry could we returned to an attitude "bio-plastic" made with go green with prickly pear of over prickly pear cactus. What leather instead of cow hide. Climate

threatening drought a world without chile stew has turned some Sonoran in plastic bowls, imagine a desert cattle ranches into world without rubber. The boneyards. Cattle are not Flintstones come to mind. Sonoran desert natives, The Hohokam played a Huhukam never ate beef. game with a ball coated For the most part, they were with guayule to give it some "plant" eaters: corn, beans, bounce. Guayule is a desert squash, and seasonal desert plant with an interesting plants. But since a lot of recent history. In 1910 about O'otham now regard beef half of the rubber imported chile stew as part of "our" to the USA came from culture, change won't come Mexican guayule plants. easily. Much of community Guayule cultivation was acreage is true desert. The on the rise, and investment prickly pear could be a stock rose quite a bit in the dependable resource on 1920s. Industry giants like those lands. If prickly pear Firestone, Ford, Edison, became a bigger part of and Rockefeller were on O'otham/Piipaash diet, we the guayule bandwagon, but

consumption. Conservation much less change rubber alternatives was forests, not on any one's radar. about especially rainforest rubber However in1988, Sacaton whether cow flatulence trees. I don't know if and the farms grew about (polite way of saying cow our Huhukam ancestors 400 acres under a Navyfarts) contributes to global would have jumped on the sponsored program, GRIC warming, but numerous Phoenix Suns bandwagon, was guayule central. Lately scientific studies show but a lot of sweat went Bridgestone and Cooper cattle contribute to global into building their wooden tire companies once again basketball courts. If it's are working with guayule hard for readers to imagine Growing prickly pear and guayule could be big longrange endeavors involving the community.

We might wonder, what can hemako/one O'otham or Piipaash do? Back to basics: reduce waste—products and energy. Consumerism adds unnecessary fossil fuel burning, makes more garbage, and harms our himdag/way of life. (It bugs me to see people sitting in cars running the AC while eating, recharging a phone, or waiting while another is shopping. This happens on the rez now.) Unplug some of your electric devices when not in actual use. "Standby electricity" or



to generated, using more fuel to cause more global warming. Think: Do I really need that cold sugary drink in that plastic cup/bottle, eat two of everything, or buy that new whatever when the old one still works? It is good to see tribal government limit flying to conferences at swanky hotels. Zoom worked, why not a partial continuance? Stipends for GRIC employees to use vanpools -including nonmembers who are on the same warming planet would cut down on the traffic in and out of the community.

Today's world is full of choices. Climate change will children and grandchildren. You might joke about it. think/say that keli "doesn't know what he's writin' about," or use this page for kindling. Think outside of the "me/vou" box.

Information was taken from Scientist In Mexico Creates Biodegradable Prickly Plastic From Pear Cactus ; https:// desserto.com.mx/: https:// azbigmedia.com/business/ environment/guayule-drivearizonas-economy/ https://www.latimes.com/ archives/la-xpm-1988-10-06-ve-4368-story.html

Arts & Entertainment

Heard Museum Internships Connect Venue with the Community's Culture



Napoleon Marrietta from District 4 reflects on his internship with the Heard Museum in Phoenix and what it meant to build connections with the staff and Akimel O'otham culture. Zachary Redbird/CPAO

Christopher Lomahquahu Gila River Indian News

Students at the Heard Museum in Phoenix get an opportunity to expand their knowledge and interest in Native American culture through internships. For Napoleon Marrietta and Calista Middaugh, both from the Gila River Indian Community, interning with the Heard Museum has allowed them to get a look behind the scenes at the Valley's oldest museum dedicated to telling the story of Native people.

"What drew me to the Heard Museum was a range of interests," said Marrietta, a Community member from District 4. "I wanted to learn everything from the backstory of the artifacts [here] and how the Heard museum works to tell the story of Native people in the Southwest."

Marrietta firsthand view into how the artifacts." Heard operates, including history of the Community basket. and how it ties back to the Huhugam and its history.

person who made them. It's represents. his a humbling experience to be internship has given him a in the same room with these here with an open mind," the COVID-19 pandemic, programs, such as creative

Marrietta added that its marketing, budgeting he's impressed by how many and organizing of events. He items on display at the Heard said his internship allowed demonstrate the resilience him to see how the Heard of the Akimel O'otham museum creates programs and how they used local to connect the general materials to create intricate public, tribal communities pieces of work that served and organizations through a purpose. He said some the exhibits, workshops of the more contemporary and events the museum works made by local basket hosts throughout the year. makers can be distinguished The internship also allowed by the unique techniques Marrietta to connect with the employed in crafting each

Monenerkit, Marcus the Heard's Director of "I think it is amazing Community Engagement, to see these things still in said the museum builds existence and then I think relationships with tribes about how they are still through its internships, living," said Marrietta. fellowships and veterans "They have a story to tell program, which serve to .. created for a purpose better connect the Heard that goes well beyond the with the Native people it

"We want people come Monenerkit. an organization over the now online, which has years the Heard has stayed allowed her to be closer the local communities. It Heard. Her internship is always good practice to involves producing media

the people that you are the museum's social media interpreting." outlets. Because she's from also interested in creative Middaugh District 7, who is Pee Posh writing, she said, the and Akimel O'otham said internship has allowed her her exposure to the museum to combine her passions began when she was a child. for art, poetry, non-fiction She's currently a sophomore and the environment. The at the Institute of American museum's program has also Indian Arts Institute in been opportunity to better understand the history of the Santa majoring in Museum Studies. Gila River and learn from the elders who still have "On the weekends, I would go to the Heard and the knowledge about how Pueblo Grande with my the river has sustained the grandmother Phyllis Cerna Community and its land for (a Pee Posh pottery maker) such a long period of time. to her demonstrations," said All of these are subjects Middaugh. "From those Middaugh says she may one

day explore in her career. That makes found an internship with the internship a unique opportunity for her.

"They had so many "As most of her classes are writing, I really took an interest in it," Middaugh said. But what stuck out to relevant by being a part of to home and intern at the me is because of my major, which they offer as well."



experiences I developed a

passion for museums, so I

Middaugh said due to

Heard museum."

Calista Middaugh's internship allows her social media content to attract visitors to the Heard Museum. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

GRIC Member and Designer, Jaime Jackson Depicts Rising's Warmup Top for Indigenous People Day

Submitted by Phoenix Rising FC

As part of the celebration Indigenous Peoples Day during Phoenix Rising FC's match vs. Oakland on Saturday, Oct. 9, Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) member and graphic designer Jaime Jackson created a warmup jersey highlighting important aspects from the GRIC history.

"The symbols and designs on the jersey represent the peoples of the Gila River Indian "The land that Phoenix Rising Stadium is on has belonged to the O'otham people since time immemorial. We feel the jersey design is a great representation to the Native American Tribes of Arizona. It pays homage and respect to the land. It is also specific to the O'otham and Pee Posh."



Front and back renderings of the warm-up jerseys to be worn on the Indigenous Peoples Day celebration Oct. 9. Photo courtesy of Phoenix Rising FC

Community," said Jackson. I placed modernized water designs," added Jackson. "These are significant to the Akimel O'otham and Pee-Posh of the valley. The number seven graces the back of the jersey, representing the seven districts within the Gila River Indian Community. Each district has a traditional signifies a new beginning name, which are based on between Phoenix Rising

"On the base of the jersey, unique characteristics of the land. Those names are listed inside the number."

> The calendar stick in the logo on the right chest was a tool used to record historical events, not only in these communities, but around the world to measure time.

"The calendar stick

and the Gila River Indian Community," said Jackson.

Crossing the calendar stick in the logo is the warrior spear, a symbol representing protection for the people.

"The spear represents the drive and fight of Rising as it meets opponents on the field," said Jackson.

Both symbols present at Rising's first team meeting this preseason, where GRIC traditionalist Aaron Sabori explained the history of the calendar stick and spear. The items remain in Rising's trophy case in the locker room, just outside the boot room. The stick and spear donated by Sabori sit atop two Western Conference Championship trophies, the 2019 Regular Season Championship Shield and the 2020 Finalist Plate occupying a trophy case that seems destined to add hardware this season, thanks



Phoenix Rising Forward Santi Moar models the Indigenous Peoples Day warm-up jersey, which will be worn before their game against the Oakland Roots Soccer Club on Oct. 9. Photo courtesy of Phoenix Rising

to Rising being unbeatable American children. (10-0-3) at Wild Horse Pass.

sale of the tops will go to Three Precious Miracles, a charity focused on providing attend the club's Indigenous loving, caring and culturally-sensitive home for

families of displaced Native

GRIC members are All proceeds from the encouraged to call or text the Phoenix Rising box office (623-594-9606) for tickets to People Day celebration on Saturday, Oct. 9.









COVID-19 VACCINE AVAILABILITY

OCTOBER 2021 SCHEDULE

Oct. 4	D3 Headstart	9 am - 3 pm
Oct. 5	Viola L. Johnson Building	9 am - 4 pm
Oct. 6	Viola L. Johnson Building	9 am - 4 pm
Oct. 7	Viola L. Johnson Building	9 am - 4 pm
Oct. 11	D3 Headstart	9 am - 3 pm
Oct. 18	D3 Headstart	9 am - 3 pm
Oct. 25	D3 Headstart	9 am - 3 pm



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60th Annual Miss Indian Arizona Program to Feature Miss Gila River Alyse Marrietta

Kyle Knox

Gila River Indian News

After a yearlong hiatus, the Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program will host a live competition featuring the Community's 2020-2022 Miss Gila River, Alyse Marrietta. This year marks the 60th Annual Scholarship Program. It will showcase five contestants, all vying for the title of Miss Indian Arizona.

The event livestreamed Oct. 9 at 6 p.m. at www. missindianarizona.com for all to watch.

Building on her experience as Miss Gila River, Marietta says she is excited for the pageant and the opportunity to take her pageantry to the next level. She understands the prestige of the Miss Indian Arizona title and is humbled to be among all the contestants this year.

"I'm excited to get to know all the contestants because I truly believe it's not a competition between but a competition ourselves," Marrietta. "And I look forward to representing my Community, family, and myself in a positive and uplifting way."

The pageant this year

streamed live without an from the Community, Daryl dance routine.

for being very elegant, and this time. this is part of that, so I'm looking forward to this contestants are SuNigh experience," said Marrietta. Antone (Tohono O'odham Even, so, she says walking Nation), Lorraine Cooley in heels is the an aspect of (San Carlos Apache Tribe), the event that makes her Alyse Marrietta slightly nervous.

As with most pageants, Vanessa Lister contestants must choose Nation), Marrietta has decided Pima-Maricopa to continue her current Community. platform as Miss Gila River – that of "Self-Care." feature a farewell to the Her platform promotes outgoing MIA physical, mental, spiritual well-being. She Spotted Wolf (TON) and says that balancing all these 1st Attendant Autumn aspects is foundational for Cooper (GRIC). For more setting goals and creating a information about each fulfilling life, something she contestant and the program has shared statewide during this year, you can visit www. her time as Miss Indian missindianarizona.com.

Marrietta acknowledges will be a hybrid virtual style, two former MIA titleholders

audience. Contestants will Jay, and Victoria Quintero, be performing every aspect for support and looks to of a regular pageant live, them for inspiration. She except for a choreographed informed both women that she would be applying Marrietta's focus for and she says they've the pageant is ensuring her been nothing short of remarks for the speaking encouraging. In addition, portions of the program she acknowledges Autumn are polished. She is also Cooper as an excellent preparing on other aspects example, having watched that she didn't experience her served on the MIA court running for Miss Gila River. for two years. And lastly, One element of the she also thanks Jr. Miss Gila MIA program is an evening River Sineca Jackson for gown event. "MIA is known her constant support during

This year's pageant River Indian Community), a platform for their reign. Hiosik Galindo, Salt River

The program will and 2020-2021 MIA Amy



GRIC member and current Miss Gila River Alyse Marrietta will run for the crown of Miss Indian Arizona on Oct. 9. Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

Gila River Court Notices

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA COURT DATE NOTICE In Re Case: Marcus Joaquin vs. Dalaina Parra Docket Number: CV-2021-0176-OP absentia and a warrant may be issued for y of the other party, or jail time may ordered. Order of Protection Hearing AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ 85147 7th day of October, 2021 at 9:00 AM Date: Thursday, September 23, 2021 Dalaina Cherice Parra Defendant Marcus Lorenzo Joaquin Civil Plaintiff Laquinta Allison Attorney FILE COPY

> IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA

COURT DATE NOTICE

In Re Case: Shannie Penny Porter vs. Juvencio David Lewis

Docket Number: FM-2021-0052-PT

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 held in absentia and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, for

Answer/Response Hearing

AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI. 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ 85147

29th day of November, 2021 at 10:30 AM in Courtroom I before the Honorable Anthony Hill

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT STATE OF ARIZONA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE CASE Number: PB-2021-0012-DE PHILBERT LEON HOWARD JR. CIVIL NOTICE OF HEARING Friday, October 29, 2021 at 9:00 AM in Courtroom I, AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, 721 West Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, AZ. GIVEN under my hand and the scal of the Gila River Indian Community in the DATED this 24th day of September, 2021 Clerk of the Gila River Indian Community Court Copy of the foregoing served by

Note: Published in the Gila River Indian Newspaper (GRIN)

This 24th day of September, 2021 to:

IN THE COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA COURT DATE NOTICE In Re Case: Johnny Palma vs. Carl Cook Docket Number: CV-2021-0186-RO 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 held in absentia and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, forfciture of your bond, judgment in fuvor of the other party, or jail time may ordered. Restraining Order Hearing AKIMEL O'OTHAM LODITHA KUD KI, Sacaton, AZ 85147 7th day of October, 2021 at 9:30 AM in Courtroom I before the Honorable Anthony Hill Date: Thursday, September 23, 2021

Notice of GRGE Unclaimed Property

Ordinance GR-10-09 requires Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc (GRGE) to publish notice in the Gila River Indian Newspaper and on the official web site for the Gila River Indian Community before disposing of unclaimed money, payroll check (s), or other check(s). Therefore, we are requesting your assistance in publishing the following message in the Gila River Indian Newspaper and on the Gila River Indian Community's official web site for a period not to exceed thirty days from the date of publication. Please contact me at 520-796-7228 or email me at Gordon.cheung@gila.casino if you have questions.

The following list contains of names of individuals and other entities with outstanding checks issued by Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. (GRGE) and recorded as of March 31, 2021. In accordance with Escheat Ordinance GR-10-09, public notice of unclaimed checks will be published in the Gila River Indian Newspaper and GRIC's official web site. If the last known owner is known to be a Community member, the department, program, or entity shall also post notice at all District Service Centers. In order to claim the check, the owner must claim it in person within 30 days of publication or posting. In addition, to make claim, the person must provide the department, program, or entity with positive identification, including photo identification showing the person claiming the check is the last known owner.

If the check is unclaimed for 60 days after publication, it shall escheat and title thereof shall vest in the Community. If you are the recipient of the Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. (GRGE) unclaimed property, please contact the GRGE Corporate Finance Department by sending an email to Accounting@gila. casino or call (520) 796-7198 for further instructions.

UNIVERCELL **WIRELESS INCORPORATED** ARIZONA CUTLERY SHARPENING SERVICES INC

Wilson, Freddie G Goerg, Timothy C Contreras, Ana G Morey, Erik M Walden, Robert J Reyes, Marcus J Beatty, Sonia A Messerli, Colin B Piedra, Jennifer Bozukluoglu, Arriyus N Usky, Sara M Alfonso, Aljero M Sunn, Tasheena J Robertson, Rochelle E Beatty, James K Griffin, Matthew J Blackburn, Brian E Felipe, Angelica C Sandoval, Rene A Sandesara, Chandrikaben P Sandesara, Pramodchandra K Barrera, Ariana V Cody, Valerie A Redbird, Jacquelyne M Gortariz, Tereso Ť Raymond, Kristi L

Silas, Justin L

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • September 15,2021

ACTION SHEET

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

CALL TO ORDER

The Second Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, September 15, 2021, by WebEx Platform was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:07 a.m.

INVOCATION

Provided by Councilman Joey Whitman and Mr. AGENDA Barnaby Lewis

ROLL CALL

Council Secretary Shannon White called the roll

Executive Officers Present:

Governor Stephen R. Lewis

Lt. Governor Monica Antone

Council Members Present:

D1- Joey Whitman, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Avery White, Rodney Jackson; D4-Jennifer Allison, Delmar Jones, Regina Antone-Smith, Christopher Mendoza; D5-James De La Rosa, Marlin Dixon, Brian Davis, Sr., Wahlean Riggs; D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr., Charles Goldtooth, Terrance Evans; D7-Devin Redbird

Council Members Absent: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORT #2; ACCEPT AND APPROVE RESOLUTIONS #1 THROUGH #34 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DISPENSE NEW AGENDA BUSINESS #1 AND APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

1. Four Southern Tribes Cultural Resource Working Group representative appointed to City of Tempe Historic **Preservation Commission**

Presenters: Barnaby V. Lewis; Reylynne Williams

MR. BARNABY LEWIS FORMALLY ANNOUNCED MS. REYLYNNE WILLIAMS WAS APPOINTED TO THE CITY OF TEMPE PRESERVATION COMMISSION ON AUGUST 9, 2021. MS. WILLIAMS IS HONORED TO REPRESENT THE COMMUNITY IN THIS CAPACITY. VARIOUS COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES, LT. GOVERNOR ANTONE AND GOVERNOR LEWIS CONGRATULATED MS. WILLIAMS ON HER NEW APPOINTMENT AND PROVIDED WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

2. Introduction of New Staff Member at Tribal Historic Preservation Office

Presenters: Barnaby V. Lewis; Raquel Romero

MR. BARNABY LEWIS ANNOUNCED MS. RAQUEL ROMERO WHO HAS TAKEN A POSITION WITH THE TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE AS A CULTURAL RESOURCE SPECIALIST. MS. ROMERO OBTAINED HER BACHELORS AND MASTERS DEGREES IN ANTHROPOLOGY. VARIOUS COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES, LT. GOVERNOR ANTONE AND GOVERNOR LEWIS CONGRATULATED MS. ROMERO ON HER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND PROVIDED WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

REPORTS

1. COVID-19 Update

Presenters: COVID-19 Task Force

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT

>2. Gila River Sand and Gravel Quarterly Report FY

Presenters: Michael Morago; Donna Stowell ACCEPTED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. WHPDA Monthly Report

Presenters: David White; WHPDA Board of Directors; Alex Yazza: Michelle Bowman: Martin Sepulveda: Mark Grado; Jason Croxton

REPORT HEARD

RESOLUTIONS

>1. A Resolution Establishing The Public Safety Facility Construction Owner's Team For The Purpose Of Overseeing The Planning, Financing And Construction Of A New Public AGENDA Safety Facility For The District 4 Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda; NRSC and LSC concur) Presenters: Casaundra Wallace; Steven Heeley

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>2. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From consent agenda) The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Apache County For The Alpine Fire District Quick Attack Truck (G&MSC forwards to Council with a AGENDA recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter:

Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>3. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Apache County For The Concho Fire District Heart Monitoring Equipment Replacement AGENDA And Extrication/Rescue Tools Replacement (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming approval and placement on 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 City Of Apache Junction For The AGENDA Apache Junction Police Department Mobile Vehicle Radios (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>5. 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 Casa Grande Arts & Humanities Commission Mini Grants To K-12 Teachers (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>6. 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 Casa Grande Union Pacific Railroad Underpass Art Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on 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 City Of Coolidge For The Coolidge Police AGENDA Department Mobile Radio Replacement Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on 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 Town Of Eagar For The Eagar Fire AGENDA Department Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (G&MSC placement on 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 Eloy For The Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program (G&MSC forwards to on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>10. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Chandler For The AGENDA Chandler Fire Department Fire Simulation And Command Training Equipment (G&MSC forwards to Council with The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming

a recommendation for approval and placement on the

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>11. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Chandler For The Chandler Police Department Stop The Bleed/Active Shooter Response Kits (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>12. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From Revenues To Cochise County For The Sunsites-Pearce Fire District Fire Truck Replacement (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>13. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Mesa For The Mesa Arts Center Creative Aging Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the Presenter: consent agenda) Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>14. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Mesa For The Mesa Parks, Recreation And Community Facilities Fun N Fitness Mobile Recreation Unit (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on 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 Navajo County For The Timber Mesa Fire And Medical District Ambulance And Gurney Replacement (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>16. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Gila County For The Pine-Strawberry Fire District Priority Heart Monitor Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>17. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Guadalupe For Public Works Equipment Replacement (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

> ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>18. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award Council with a recommendation for approval and placement From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Town Of Kearny For The Police Department MILO System Updated Modules (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>19. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From

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Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For The Public Transit Department Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on 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 Phoenix For The Neighborhood Services Department Love Your Block Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>21. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From AGENDA The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For The Phoenix Police Department Officer Safety Package (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>22. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award AGENDA From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming For The Parks And Recreation Department Pueblo Museum Outdoor Exhibits Renovation (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on 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 City Of Phoenix For The Office Of Environmental Programs Seeding Abundance And Growing Our Future Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>24. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For The Public Transit Department Bus Shelter Safety Lighting Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on 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 Pinal County For The Pinal County Medical Examiner's Office Evidence Multistat Analyzer Equipment (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on 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 Town Of Pinetop-Lakeside For The Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department Public Safety Enhancements (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

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 on the consent agenda) Of People With Disabilities Scholarship Awards Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda) AGENDA Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Scottsdale For The Scottsdale (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for Presenters: David DeJong; Casaundra Wallace approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

>29. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From Council as FYI under Unfinished Business) Revenues To The City Of Tempe For The Tempe Community Services Creative Aging Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>30. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian

The City Of Tolleson For The Tolleson Fire Department Paramedic Program (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the Council with a recommendation to certify Anthony Hill; LSC consent agenda) Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>31. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From BRIANNALYNN RHODES The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Winslow For The Winslow Police Department Vehicle Replacement Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>32. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Yavapai County For The Copper Canyon Fire And Medical District Battalion Chief Response Vehicle (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>33. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To Yavapai County For The Mayer Fire District Structural Firefighting Turnout Replacement Project (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement on the consent agenda)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF **AGENDA**

>34. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming >27. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From Revenues To Yavapai County For The Verde Valley Fire District Rural Response Vehicle (G&MSC forwards to Council with a recommendation for approval and placement Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF

GOVERNOR LEWIS CALLED FOR A 10 MINUTE ACCEPTED AND APPROVED AT APPROVAL OF BREAK; THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 10:53 AM}

35. A Resolution Granting A Permanent >28. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From Irrigation Easement And Abandoning A Section Of The Existing Permanent Irrigation Easement To The United States Of America, Santan Ranch Lateral Human Services Department Homelessness Initiative AL-4 On Tribal Land (NRSC forwards to Council)

APPROVED

ORDINANCES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Special Chief Judge Election (LSC forwards to

Presenter: Shannon White

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT AS **INFORMATION**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Naming of Gila River Gaming Enterprise's Fourth Facility (CRSC forwards to Council for discussion)

Presenters: Kenneth Manuel; Interim Oversight & Planning Committee

ITEM DISPENSED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. Certification of Qualifications-Candidates For Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The Special 2021 Chief Judge Election (LSC forwards to Community Council with a recommendation to certify Brianna Lynn Rhodes; LSC forwards to Community forwards to Community Council with a recommendation to certify Franklin Pablo, Sr.)

Presenter: Nadine Shelde

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY ANTHONY J. HILL

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY FRANKLIN PABLO, SR.

3. Department of Interior - Draft Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Regulations -Tribal Consultations, THPO Report NO. 2021-037 (CRSC forwards to Council as FYI under New Business)

Presenters: Barnaby V. Lewis; Raquel Romero; Reylynne Williams

APPROVED

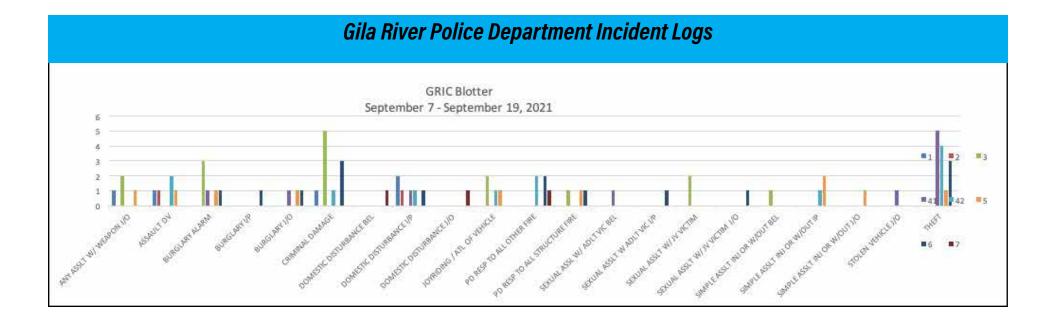
MINUTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:05 A.M.

- * Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)
- > Denotes a CONSENT AGENDA ITEM





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NOTHING TO FEAR WHEN YOU HAVE GREATCALL NEAR!

GRTI in partnership with the Tribal Health Department-Injury Prevention Program are able to assist in providing the GreatCall program to qualifying individuals. The GreatCall emergency device is perfect for making sure you or a loved one are safe in an emergency situation.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

In the event of an emergency, the GreatCall device is activated by pressing the square button on the unit, which connects you to a GreatCall 5 Star Agent.

HOW MUCH IS IT?

The GreatCall device is provided at NO COST to those residing on the Gila River Indian Community.



Contact the Tribal Health Department - Injury
Prevention Program at (520) 562-5100 to get
started. Qualifying for the program will be
based on the Tribal Health Department Health
Assessment.

GPS ENABLED - Take it wherever you go.

FALL DETECTION - Automatically calls a 5 Star Agent for help when a fall is detected.

GREATCALL LINK APP - Notifies family or caregivers of GreatCall activity.

URGENT CARE - 24/7 access to registered nurses and board certified doctors with a press of a button.



Internship Opportunities with Local Sports Teams Presented by Gila River Hotels & Casinos



THE PHOENIX SUNS INTERNSHIP PRESENTED BY GILA RIVER HOTELS & CASINOS

ARE YOU READY TO GO PRO?

The Phoenix Suns are looking for a superstar intern to join the team for the 2021-2022 season. This is your shot to show off your skills with the Phoenix Suns as a paid intern.

Be a part of the Phoenix Suns Organization marketing team and assist with grassroots events, research and project executions. This includes researching other NBA team marketing efforts and developing database communication strategies

Help fulfill Corporate Partnerships and collect photos and data to support activation programs, as well as gain experience coordinating in-arena branding projects.

Assist in ticket distribution & mailings. Help create and distribute promotional marketing materials. Learn data entry and database management, as well as assist in Game Night kiosk staffing.

Assist with game/event paperwork, preparation, and project executions. Take on department and event-related projects while developing a broad knowledge of multiple event-related departments. Jobs open to Gila River Indian Community members currently enrolled in a secondary education program.

Interested candidates should send a resume and cover letter indicating areas of interest to nstrunks@suns.com

Deadline to apply is October 15, 2021







THE ARIZONA COYOTES PUCK INTERNSHIP PROGRAM PRESENTED BY GILA RIVER HOTELS & CASINOS

Are you a member of the Gila River Indian Community, a student 18 years or older with two years of college credits and looking to gain experience in the business of professional sports?

Gila River Hotels & Casinos has partnered with Arizona Coyotes to offer a customizable internship.

The Arizona Coyotes PUCK Rotational Internship Program will give exposure to the sports industry. Interns will learn what goes on behind the scenes and gain relationships with industry professionals, opportunities to work on meaningful projects across many departments and skills that build a foundation for future careers. Rotational Interns will have the opportunity to contribute to the Club's success through work on department-specific projects and providing solutions, work in research groups to provide recommendations, and work Coyotes games and events. Participating departments in which interns will rotate through include Ticket Sales, Corporate/Premium Partnerships, Marketing, Production/Game Entertainment, Hockey Development and Arizona Coyotes Foundation & Community Impact.

 \cdot Education and Formal Training: Proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel and Power Point \cdot Have completed 2 years of college credits

For more information or to apply, contact Teaya Vicente at (480) 665-2554 or at Teaya.vicente@gila.casino

Deadline to apply is October 15, 2021

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For more information, please contact Teaya Vicente at 480-665-2554 or at Teaya.Vicente@gila.casino Deadline to apply for both internships is October 15, 2021

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

The Gila River Indian Community Council will be considering amendments to Title 3, Enrollment, Membership. Amendments are being proposed to sections 3.101 through 3.110.

TITLE 3

MEMBERSHIP

Definitions 3.101 Duties and Responsibilities of Enrollment Department. 3.103. Duties and Responsibilities of Community Council. 3.104 Eligibility for Membership. 3.105 Enrollment Process. 3.106 Petitions for Membership. Relinquishment of Membership. 3.108 3.109 Dual Membership. Removal from Membership. 3.110. 3.111 Membership Decisions 3.112 Confidentiality of Records; Penalty. 3.113. 3.114. Name Changes

Rules, Regulations and Procedures.

Effective Date

3.115.

3.116.

3.117

A copy of the proposed amendments in their entirety is available for review at all District Service Centers and the Community Council Secretary's Office. Public Notice is also being posted in the GRIN and the Community's social media. This amendment will be considered by

Legislative Standing Committee on November 9, 2021.

Community members may comment on the proposed revisions to Title 3 by contacting their Council representative and/or Councilman Arzie Hogg, Chairperson of the Legislative Standing Committee. Written comments may also be sent to Bartley Harris at the Office of General Counsel, Post Office Box 97, Sacaton, Arizona 85147 or email to: OGC.HelpDesk@gric.nsn.us

Notice for Faith-Based Gatherings SEPTEMBER 3, 2021



As we continue to observe COVID-19 safety precautions within the Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) for all members and congregations of our faith-based communities, please be aware of and request the following:

Adherence to current GRIC Executive Order No. 12

Submit a request to the GRIC Executive Office if your faith-based organization is planning a gathering of 15 or 25% of your congregation providing significant time for processing and review

Please review the Faith Based Organizational Plan that has been sent to your organization for planning

Thank you in advance for adhering to the guidelines to protect our Community.







If you have questions, please contact Gila River Indian Community
Tribal Health Department at (520) 562-5100.

Submissions

Gila River Hotels & Casinos - Wild Horse Pass Unveils Rooftop Restaurant and Lounge Plans as part of \$143 Million Expansion

The 11-story Tower will be home to Prime, a New Shula's Steak House Concept, Serving Classic Steakhouse Dishes with French Culinary Influences

Submitted by

Gila River Hotels & Casinos

CHANDLER, Ariz. (Sept. 28, 2021) Exceptional flavor combinations, modern decor and grand ambience will take over the rooftop of the new tower at Gila River Hotels & Casinos - Wild Horse Pass this fall. The rooftop destination will be home to Prime, A Shula's Steak House, serving up a fresh twist on classic steakhouse dishes with touches of French culinary

Rising 150-feet over the desert landscape, Prime will be on the 11th floor of the new hotel tower, complete with stunning views of the Estrella Mountains and breathtaking Arizona sunsets. As guests arrive to the hotel lobby, they ascend to the top floor by a dedicated glass elevator. From the moment guests enter Prime, they'll be welcomed by an invigorating take on the traditional steakhouse experience including perfectly prepared steaks, bold, craveable interpretations of classic dishes and signature wines paired with attentive service that puts guests front and center. After dinner, the venue transitions to 11ven at Prime, a place where crafted cocktails and lively DJs pair effortlessly with fabulous perspective of the Valley. Late night never looked so good.

Celebrity Chef Demetrio Zavala was influenced by his European,

Mediterranean and Mexican roots when creating the menu for Prime. Chef Zavala has competed in and won Food Network TV cooking shows including "Chopped" and "Chopped: Grudge Match.'

The onsite culinary team will be led by Chef Eric Arechiga who studied classic French cuisine at SCI Le Cordon Bleu. Chef Eric currently oversees a culinary staff of eight highly trained cooks that he has personally trained and mentored.

"Chef Eric Arechiga was chosen to oversee all culinary operations of our Wild Horse Pass flagship restaurant Prime due to his passion, skill and quality execution he delivers on a nightly basis," said Kenneth Manuel, Chief Executive Officer of Gila River Hotels & Casinos. "Chef Eric is a consummate professional and highly respected culinary leader with many years of experience creating memorable moments for our valued

The interior of Prime has been cultivated by Preen, an award winning hospitality design and architecture group. The space will feature neutral earthy tones with leather accents and stone tabletops.

"We have been partners with Shula's Restaurant Group for 12 years and our collaboration on the inaugural Prime concept was natural. With our expansion project came an opportunity



As part of its \$143 million expansion project, Gila River Hotels & Casinos - Wild Horse Pass will open Prime, a new Shula's Steak House concept, on the rooftop of the 11th floor of its new hotel tower. Rendering photo courtesy of Gila River Hotels & Casinos

to place our crown jewel dining venue atop the new tower," Manuel said, "Along with our continued elevation of offerings and amenities, we found the perfect synergy of dining and

destination. It not only provides an atmosphere." incredible culinary experience to our guests, but will be a Phoenix landmark for food and wine lovers to experience a chic casual, yet sophisticated

For more details on the Gila River Hotels & Casinos - Wild Horse Pass expansion project, visit www.playatgila.

For more information on Shula's Restaurant Group, visit Shulas.com

Submitted by

Tribal Health Dept.

Make Summer Safety a Priority

As we begin to spend more time outdoors and away from home. The Gila River Indian Community Tribal Health Department would like you to observe a few of the following safety

Beat the heat by taking extra breaks and drinking a lot of water to help avoid heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

Be bug safe by protecting you and your family from mosquitos at home by assuring doors and windows are kept closed preventing mosquito bites by using an EPA registered insect repellent and wearing long sleeve shirts and long pants. Remove all standing water around your home that may collect water to prevent mosquitos from laying eggs. Turn on air conditioner because mosquitos prefer warm, damp and dark places.

Be swim safe and be a swim watcher by never going in the water unless you know how to swim. Aways have a swim buddy, swim in only areas where there is a lifeguard, no rough housing, no diving in unfamiliar areas, feet first are the safest, again drugs and alcohol and swimming never

Enjoy your bike and observe bike safety by having your bike ready for the road and is the right size for you. Make yourself VERY visible to all others. Always wear the proper fitting helmet. Let others know where you are going and how long you will be gone

Be skateboard savvy by checking your board and body safety gear. It is important to wear the right fitting body protecting equipment at all times to avoid injury from falls. Obey all local laws and skate where permitted. Practice skateboard etiquette by being respectful to others. Only one person per skateboard and never hitch a ride on a car or bike

Walk and run safely by walking or running on a sidewalk. Walk of run facing traffic so you can observe oncoming traffic and avoid hazardous situations. Control how close a vehicle is to you, cross at crosswalks. Obey all signs and rules of the road. It is important to wear bright colored clothing. Never walk or run while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

As there are other more in depth safety tips about the activities previously mentioned, the Gila River Indian Community would like to get you to start thinking about safety and having a safe Summer experience. Remember, we just started an introduction and conversation about Summer safety, if you would like to further research, please feel free to access the National Safety Council on their website at www.nsc.org or contact the Tribal Health Department Health Community Department at 520-562-5100.





What's New at GRICUA? GRICUA Awarded NRECA President's Award

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) selected GRICUA to receive the prestigious President's Award. The President's Award recognizes individuals/cooperatives who have made outstanding continuing leadership contributions to rural electrification, the nation or their state or communities. The award is in recognition of GRICUA's ongoing efforts and commitment to the Community through its various Youth Programs

GRICUA reinvests in the future of the Community with the

following Youth Programs:

- Washington Youth TourSTEAAAM1 Summer ProgramSTEAAAM1 Virtual Program
- High School Internship Program
- College Internship Program

• Youth Board Internship Program GRICUA will be presented with the 2021 President's Award at the 2022 NRECA PowerXchange in Nashville, TN in March 2022.

Pre-Paid Metering Program

GRICUA's Pre-Paid Metering Program (PPMP) is a new way of paying for your electricity. The PPMP offers GRICUA customers an opportunity to pay in advance for electricity, manage energy use and conserve energy. Studies have shown that pre-pay accounts help customers use less electricity, saving them money. Customers will pre-pay for their electricity and receive daily text or email notifications of the amount used and balance remaining on their account. Be IN CONTROL with a GRICUA Pre-Pay Account.

GRICUA Will Alert You When Your Account:

- Has fallen below your requested threshold balance and when you successfully make a payment.



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GRICUA customers can enroll in gricua.net. our PPMP by calling our Customer Service Department at (520)796-0600. You will need to settle your account balance and make a PM minimum \$10 payment. See Terms and Conditions on our website at www.gricua.net. Forms can be downloaded from GRICUA's website, emailed to our customers or obtained at our office.

Bill Payment Options for GRICUA

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GRICUA's Hours of Operation Monday - Friday 7:30 AM to 4:00

Payments are accepted on-line and by phone both during our normal operating hours as well as afterhours. If you have any questions regarding your statement or payment options please call during normal business

2021-2022 Virtual STEAAAM Program – Register Today!

GRICUA is continuing its Virtual STEAAAM Program thru next year. GRICUA's STEAAAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Architecture, Agriculture, Art and Math) Summer Program provides students in the Kindergarten – 8th grade with STEAAAM based activities that they are able to complete right at home using household items. Each month GRICUA will post an activity on Facebook and its website. Students who complete all 3 projects in a quarter will earn a free STEAAAM activity kit, a \$25 gift card and 4 general admission tickets to the Arizona Science Center. Registration is open all year and you can register ANYTIME!! Please visit our website for more information.



Open to K-8th enrolled Gila River Students, regardless of where you reside.

- STEAAAM-based activities using household items.
- STEAAAM activity posted each month.
- Each Quarter will have 3 activities. Complete all activities in a Quarter to earn a \$25.00 gift card, STEAAAM Activity Kit and 4 passes to the Arizona Science Center!!
- Register anytime registration forms available at www.gricua.net

CANDIDATES for OFFICE of CHIEF JUDGE October 22, 2021

Brianna Lynn Rhodes

My name is Brianna Rhodes and I am running for the office of Chief Judge. I am currently residing in District 6 with my husband, Dugan Rhodes. We have 6 wonderful children; Aimee, Sebastian, Caedon, Dean, Garrison and Addison. My father is David Sneed, Sr. from Co-Op Village. My paternal grandfather is the late Reverend Kenneth Sneed from Co-Op Village in Laveen, Arizona and my paternal grandmother is Emily Adams Sneed from Second Mesa, Arizona. My mother is Freida Smith and my step-father is Johnny Smith, Sr. My maternal grandfather is the late Fred Norris from Tuba City, Arizona and my maternal grandmother is Etta Musket Norris from Mexican Springs, New Mexico. I have worked for the Gila River Indian Community for 18 years, 10 of those years were with the Gila River Tribal

Courts in many capacities. I am constantly working hard for Our Community and willing to do what is Right and Honest. Therefore, I am asking for your vote to elect me as the new Chief Judge of the Gila River Indian Community.

Anthony J. Hill

Our Community is facing so many problems. The court system has a responsibility to face these issues and the next Chief Judge must find solutions to these problems.

We must make our neighborhoods safe by cracking down on crime. Repeat offenders must face more jail time. Defendants on probation must be held accountable to ensure they complete all their probation terms including finding a job or going to school. To end the destructive cycle of abuse, defendants must receive drug and alcohol treatment, domestic violence counseling, and parenting classes. Defendants must pay restitution to their victims. Enforcing our laws and holding defendants accountable are the first steps in making our streets safer.

We must stop the destruction of our families. The court must hold parents who do not raise their own children accountable. When the court removes a child from their parents, the justice system must ensure the parents receive counseling services and participate in child visitation. Most importantly, those parents should pay child support to grandparents and relatives taking care of their children. If parents refuse to take care of their children, they should face jail time. The court must never return a child to a home where the parents are not ready to receive them. Our children must be in school, so the court must take an aggressive approach to those parents who do not send their children to school. For family issues, the court must enforce its orders and streamline the process so parties do not have to return to court over and over. The court can increase efforts to collect child support through garnishments and jail time for those who do not return to court over and over. The court can increase efforts to collect child support through garnishments and jail time for those who do not

The court system must work for our people. This means having a court that values justice and is competent. Anyone seeking to be a judge should have minimal education and experience requirements. Judges should be evaluated each year on how well they handle their cases. Technology can make the court more efficient by allowing people to file on-line, make electronic payments, and receive jury duty cases. Technology can make me count more entered by anothing people to the on-line, make electronic payments, and receive Jury duty information to avoid trips to the court. We must fix the jury duty system so that the same people are not called over and over to jury duty. The next Chief Judge must find a way to address the backlog of jury trials due to the pandemic.

I thank the Community for electing me to a fourth term as an Associate Judge and two terms as Chief Judge. Prior to my return as Associate Judge, I served as a rules analyst with the Arizona Department of Economic Security and assisted in creating regulations for the state's social services programs and reported to the governor's regulatory review council. I received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political

Science and Classics Studies from the University of Arizona and a law degree from Arizona State University.

I am from Co-Op Village. My mother is Janet Hill and Kyle Hill is my brother. I serve as the president of the Gila Crossing Com-

munity School board. I may not be state Presbyterian Church and a member of the commission on ministry for the state Presbyterian Church USA. I have served the Community in several capacities: member of the District Seven Housing Committee, District Six Executive Committee, District Six Executive Committee, District Six Community Board, Wild Horse Pass Development Authority and Tribal Constitution Reform Pro-

The ideas I have talked with you about are my vision for the court. That vision is my plan as your Chief Judge. Some people argue the court needs new leadership. I say the court needs the right leadership. The right leadership will help the court met the challenges our justice system faces. Thank you for allowing me to serve you over the years. I humbly ask for your support in this special election.



Franklin Pablo, Sr.

- My fellow Community members and family, I am from District 5, Vah Ki. My father, the late Chester Pablo and Moth-er. Wanda Pablo. I am fluent in speaking and understand the Indian Pima Language.
- I am a retired United States Navy, retired in 1995. Upon returning back to my Community I became employed in the

Tribal Gaming Inspector, Tribal Ranger, Tribal Police Officer, Criminal Investigator, Chief Probation Officer, Council Representative for District Five

I am running for the Position of Chief Judge for Gila River Indian Community and seeking your support, with my background in Criminal Justice Administration and Enforcement of the Laws of the Community for Tribal, Federal, and State.

As a former Councilman I have heard issues from Community Members in reference to the Courts, these are just some of the issues.

Elderly not given the opportunity to be heard on issues that come before the courts, which are Jury duty appearances.

Customer Services, Communications, Etc..

I realize I cannot fix all the issues, but if elected I would evaluate within the administration and work from there. I will not promise change all at once but will work and strive to make the process of our court system better for the Community.

Thank You





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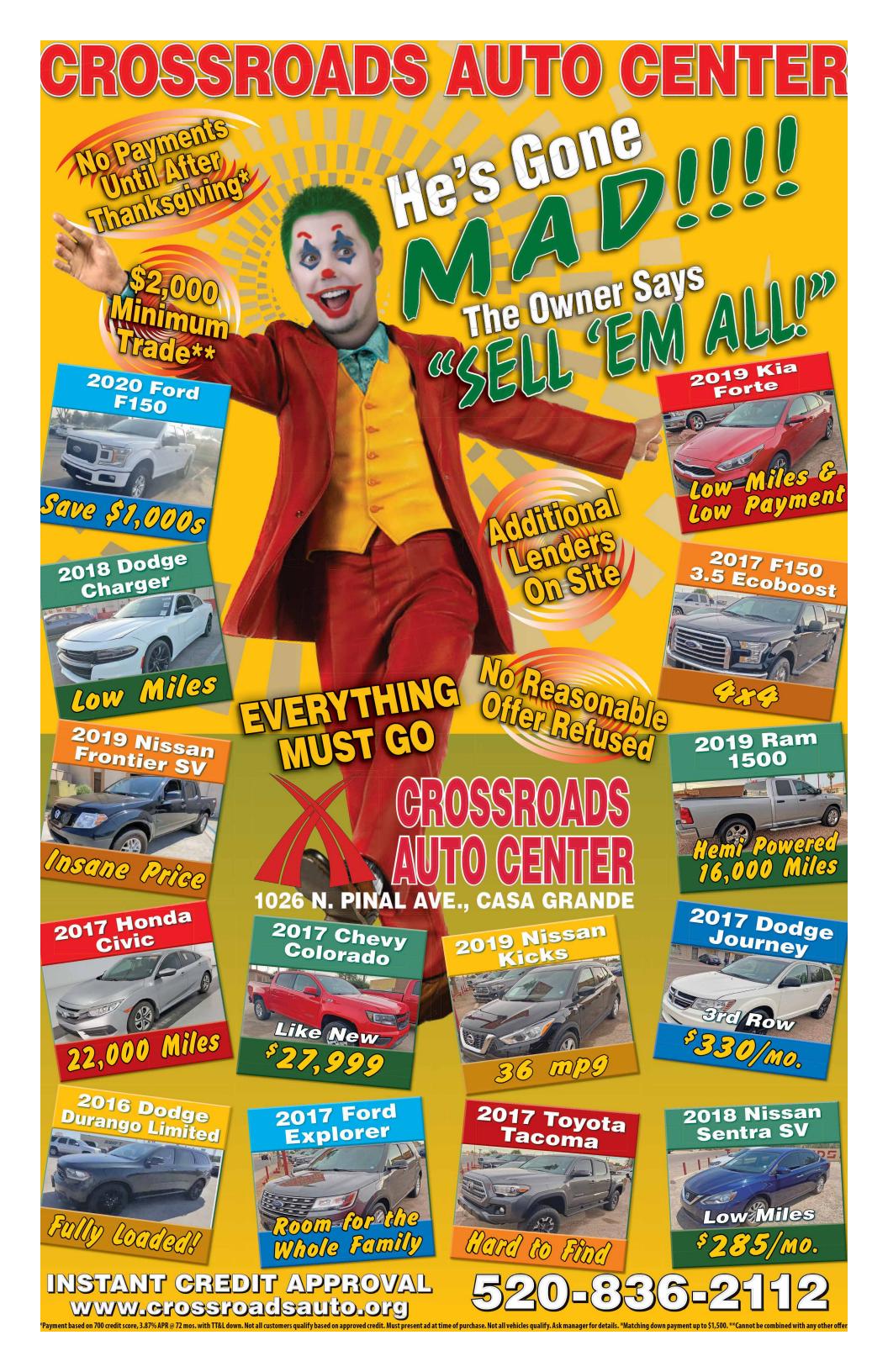
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