State of the Community Address
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By Mikhail Sundust
Gila River Indian News

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GRIL A RIVER HEALTH CARE AND THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

Uninsured Americans — the people that the Affordable Care Act was designed to most aid — continues to be a point of interest for Gila River Health Care. The key provisions of this federal program have kick in on January 1, 2014. As you probably know from all the talk shows and discussion on television, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) stumbled out of the gate with a malfunctioning enrollment site and other technical challenges. But if these recent headlines have left you confused, let us straighten it all out for you and let you know what continues to happen here at Gila River Health Care (GRHC).

- GRHC continues to have a group of dedicated staff members who have received their certification to walk you through the options available on the enrollment website.
- GRHC has funds dedicated to paying your health insurance monthly premium when enrolled through the ACA.
- When you enroll with a health plan you will have health insurance coverage not only to be seen at GRHC, but you will actually have an insurance plan that can be utilized across the state of Arizona.

Three Things You Should Know
1. GRHC will continue to provide quality, culturally appropriate services to eligible American Indians and Alaska Natives at no charge.
2. Under the new health care law, everyone is required to maintain minimum essential coverage or pay a fee (known as the shared responsibility payment). Being eligible for services at GRHC alone does not meet the minimum essential coverage requirement.
   a. If you do not have health insurance coverage and receive care from GRHC, you will need to either: (1) sign up for health insurance coverage, (2) pay the shared responsibility payment to the IRS, or (3) apply for an exemption. Contract Health Services is not considered as health insurance coverage.
   b. If you have health insurance coverage from your employer that meets the minimum essential coverage requirement, or have other health care coverage (through Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, VA Health Benefits, or TRICARE), you are covered and don’t need to worry about paying the shared responsibility payment or enrolling for health coverage available through the Health Insurance Marketplace.
   c. If you are offered and decline health insurance coverage (that meets the minimum essential coverage requirement) from your employer, you must pay the shared responsibility payment or obtain an exemption, if eligible. Members of federally recognized tribes and other individuals who are eligible to receive services from Indian health care providers will have access to a special exemption.
   d. If you are not offered health insurance coverage through your employer or are unemployed, you may be eligible for coverage through the state Medicaid program, known as AHCCCS or the Health Insurance Marketplace.
   e. If you are interested in applying for an exemption, please visit our Benefit Coordination Department at GRHC.
3. American Indians and Alaska Natives have access to affordable health care coverage options through the Health Insurance Marketplace. You may now be eligible to purchase insurance coverage or determine if you qualify to enroll in Medicaid. If you qualify for and enroll in a plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace, and are an enrolled member of Gila River Indian Community, you may be eligible for GRHC to pay your monthly premium.

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Miss Gila River hosts Winter Gathering

Miss Gila River Lisa Hendricks hosted her annual event at the Mul-Chu-Tha Fair Grounds on Jan. 17. The event, Miss Gila River’s Winter Gathering, promoted cultural songs and dances with giveaways and food.

Tomahawk thankful for donation

Joe “Tomahawk” Tate stands with Councilwoman Carolyn Williams and Councilman Dale Enos outside the Council chambers. Tate, a competitive grappler, received assistance from the Executive Office to take a trip to Long Beach, Calif., to compete in a grappling tournament. Tate won the North American Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Federation gold medal for his weight class.

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Council on Feb. 5 voted 10-5 to accept the resolution establishing the Housing Owner’s Team, naming nine members to the group.

Four of the nine team members will be council members: Carol Schurz (D2), Monica Antone (D4), Frank Pablo Sr. (D5) and Devin Redbird (D7). The Home Owners Team also includes Kimberly Antone, realty specialist with the Department of Transportation; Karen Williams, contracts manager with the Contracts Management Department; and Cornell Johns, project manager with the Department of Housing Development. Gov. Gregory Mendoza (or Lt. Gov. Stephen Lewis in his absence) and Treasurer Robert Keller round out the team.

The Housing Owner’s Team, or HOT, is a group modeled on the Casino Expansion Owner’s Team that is tasked with overseeing the construction of residential housing from the Community Housing Project Fund, a $100 million fund pulled from the Community’s savings in the state treasurer’s office. According to the resolution, HOT “will have the authority to utilize the monies allocated to meet the housing needs of the Community, including entering into contracts for design, planning, construction and the overall project management for the construction of residential living facilities.”

Several council members said their constituents voiced concerns about the formation of the HOT. Ultimately, however, the majority of the Council decided that the team would streamline the convoluted process required to get homes built on the Community.

“Having at least two Council members on there would allow for some balance,” Councilman Anthony Villareal Sr. (D6) said. Added Gov. Mendoza: “I would welcome anyone at this point as long as we get these houses built.”

This action dissolves the Housing Task Force, a group of that was made up of all the chairs and vice chairs of the Community Council standing committees. The Task Force was meant to be a temporary body.

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SOMETHING TO BE TOLD OR TALKED ABOUT

Across our community, our cultural history continues with O’otham names such as Hashen Kokih, Bup-chule, Vahki, and Komatke. While we have not taken the linguistic action/semantic action that our sister tribe, the Tohono O’odham Nation did when it sent the name “the Papago Reservation” to the history books, we were proactive in naming ourselves the Gila River Indian Community, not the Gila River Indian Reservation. Our reservation is also home to our Pipash brothers and sisters. Our word for this river is “A’ikilm,” so how did Gila come to be part of our name?

One of the first books about origins of names in Arizona was Arizona Place Names, compiled by Will C. Barnes, published in 1936 by the University of Arizona Press. Mr. Barnes received information from many sources: pioneers, historians and various publications. He noted that the Gila River has been known as the Xila, Jila, Hela and Helay. Early Spanish explorers named it “Nombre de Dios”. The name Gila or Hela first appeared in print in 1679. Padre Kino’s 1701 map showed it as the Rio Hila, but a source for Mr. Barnes added Padre Kino’s first name for the Gila was Rio de los Apostoles. Another contributor said the word Gila is a Native word referencing a spider, but Barnes did not note which Native group. Barnes wrote that the Quechan or Yuma called the river “Har-qua-h-sa-eel,” meaning salt water. Back in October of 1859, when the river ran strong and undammed, an infant was born on the akimel—his parents had floated from the O’otham villages all the way to Fort Yuma. The child was given the name of Gila Howard.

Arizona is the non-Native pronunciation of ali shon, O’otham for small spring or water. James McClintock writes, “There is no doubt that Arizona was named after some springs near Banera 8 miles south of the border and about 85 miles below Tucson. These springs are called ‘Aleh-zon’ by the Papago, meaning small spring.” Much later a scholar of the Basque language questioned this explanation. Artxi zonza comes from the Basque language meaning “good oak” and oak trees grew at this location mentioned above.

The Estrella Mountains, estrella meaning star in Spanish, seem to reach to the stars—especially compared to the rest of our kind of flat, vertically challenged community. Its highest peak tops out at 4,000 feet. O’otham called it Ko-mat-k, because when viewed from the east it is broad, thick or massive. Early explorers labeled it “Nombre de Dios.” The name Gila or Hela first appeared in print about 85 miles below Tucson. These springs are called “Har-quah-sa-eel,” meaning salt water.

Eligibility Criteria

- Young women between the ages of 16-24, with a GPA of 2.0 GPA, are preferred. 
- Contestants must be residents of the Gila River Indian Community.
- Contestants must be enrolled in High School or College.

Judging Criteria

- Knowledge of the Community orientation, culture and history of the Akimel O’odham Nation, Pima and Papago Royalty Committees.
- Personal interview with contest judges, Past Miss Gila River Royalty Committee.
- Traditional and Modern Talent Presentation.
- Pageant sash and sash presentation.
- Finalist for the Modern Talent Award, Modern Teen Talent Award, Young Women of the Year Award.

Time to get outside and PLAY HARD!

Active Play!

Toddlers and pre-schoolers need vigorous and moderate physical activity to stay fit and keep healthy. Running, climbing, jumping and other large muscle activities exercise children’s hearts and lungs. Daily physical activity reduces the likelihood that they will develop type 2 diabetes, heart problems, and other health concerns. In addition, children learn to enjoy physical activity. They think of it as play, but they are actually practicing basic movement skills that promote the healthy development of their muscles and coordination. The National Association of Sport and Physical Education recommends preschoolers have at least 60 minutes of unstructured physical activity each day, and 60 minutes of unstructured physical activity daily. Structured physical activities include activities planned and led by an adult. Unstructured activities include play where kids are free to play and explore on their own. Below are some ideas of outdoor activities you can do with your child. Not only will you be promoting the healthy development of your child, but you will also enjoy active play with your kids!

Active Play Ideas

1) Up It Go! You will need a large sheet or blanket, a beach ball or any light-weight ball. To Play Up It Go! you and your child will hold opposite ends of a blanket. Place a beach ball in the center of the blanket and toss it up in the air, and catching it with the blanket as it comes down. Start with gentle tosses so the ball doesn’t go too high. As your toddler’s coordination improves, bounce the ball higher and higher. If this is too easy for your toddler, try adding several balls at the same time. Challenge each other to keep all the balls on the blanket without them falling on the ground.

2) Create a backyard obstacle course. Use string, paper plates, hula hoops, laundry baskets, balls, and anything else you can to create a fun backyard obstacle that will allow your child to crawl under, jump over, or run around. Try tying a string between to posts or a fences. Have the string a little higher than the height of your child so that he or she can run under the string. Hang paper plates from the string so that the kids can run through the plates or duck under the paper plates. Cheer them on as they run through the obstacles!
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By Roberto A. Jackson
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Kandy Claus, Preschool Coordinator for the Laveen Elementary School District, put together a wish list of items for her special needs preschool program and gave them to Tribal Education Department. “If we get any of this it would be wonderful,” said Claus.

Little did Claus know that all of her “wishes” would be granted on Jan. 28, when Tribal Education Director Mario Molina, Special Services Program Director Blanca Comen, and Secretary Kenyen Thompson arrived at the school off of 43rd Avenue, south of Dobbins Road with playground equipment, furniture and every other item on her list. With three GRC members in the preschool special needs program—and three more in the process of being evaluated—Tribal Education approached Claus and asked them what the program needed.

One of Tribal Education’s budget items allows them to make contributions to preschools that service special needs Community students and with the support of Education Standing Committee, Community Council and Gov. Gregory Meadonna and Lt. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, the donation was made to approximately 150 students in Laveen Elementary’s special needs preschool program.

“Our Tribal Education Department reaches far beyond our boundaries because our kids feed into all the local public schools, not just Laveen, but Tolleson, Phoenix Union, Casa Grande, Coolidge, you name them,” Molina said.

Meghan Lawrence, one of the teachers who had items delivered to her classroom, said the donations will help her and her associate Sandra Bautista meet the students’ learning goals. With new shelves and furniture, the students can understand how to put things away and be prepared for Kindergarten. “Being able to have all of their toys organized and being able to use them efficiently is a huge help,” Lawrence said.

Children in the Laveen Elementary special needs preschool program pose with tricycles donated by Tribal Education Department. Accompanying the students from left: Aurora Nevarez, Mario Molina, Kandy Claus, Sandra Bautista and Meghan Lawrence.

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It’s never too late for a fresh start.

Eleven proud graduates of the 2013 Family and Child Education program were walking proof as they glided across the stage to receive their GED certificates. The program helps parents complete their educational opportunities and develops parenting skills.

FACE is a family literacy program that aims to provide parents or caregivers with the skills they need to complete educational opportunities, such as getting a GED or working on college credit, while helping mothers and fathers develop parenting skills by building healthy relationships with their young children. FACE also seeks to integrate “Native American cultural values and teachings of the past as they relate to parenting,” according to the program’s brochure.

The program also gets children ready for school. Teachers provide lessons in the home for parents with children up to 3 years old and center-based education for kids between ages 3-5.

Graduates of the Family and Child Education program proudly walk through the gym of the Vah Ki Service Center after accepting their GED certificates. The program helps parents complete their educational opportunities and develops parenting skills.

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The third and fourth graders from Casa Blanca who got to witness the release and learn about Aurora and her friends are part of a student leadership group called the Trendsetters. The Trendsetters participate in various community service projects throughout the year. This was a little reward for their hard work.

The students are nominated for the program by their teachers for being excellent students, which they showed that morning. They were very inquisitive about the birds and asked a lot of questions inclass about where the hawks came from.

“One had a wing injury and the other one had a head injury,” said Miller. Both were found in the Valley but, she said, “We wanted to come down where there were more trees and stuff for them because they’re going to want to perch on something, which they showed that morning, they were a little overwhelmed – they’ve only been in for a few months.”

Now these “wolves of the sky,” as Harris’s hawks are sometimes called because of their hunting team style, are on their own.
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RESOLUTIONS
1. Resolution Approving Reclassification Of The Tribal Ranger/Police Officer Position (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)  
Presenter: Edward Alamedia  
APPROVED

2. A Resolution Approving The General Investment Policy Of The Gila River Indian Community (G&MCS forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)  
Presenter: Treasurer Robert G. Keller  
APPROVED

3. A Resolution Approving And Amendment No. 2 To The Gila River Indian Community’s Republished Employee Policies And Procedures Reference Guide (G&MCS forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)  
Presenters: Thomas Murphy, Linda Sauer  
APPROVED

4. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving The Mutual Affiliation Agreement For Student Placement Between Arizona State University And The Gila River Indian Community (G&MCS forwards to Council with recommendation of approval; H&SSC & ESC concur)  
Presenter: Rebecca Hall  
APPROVED

5. A Resolution Authorizing The Gila River Fire Department To Submit A Grant Application To The United States Department Of Homeland Security Assistance To Firefighters Grant (G&MCS forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)  
Presenters: Chief Thomas C. Knapp, Krag Broadbent  
APPROVED

6. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving The Termination Of Per Capita Trust Accounts And Directing The Distribution Of Trust Assets To Certain Beneficiaries (G&MCS forwards to Council with recommendation of approval)  
Presenter: Treasurer Robert G. Keller  
APPROVED

7. A Resolution Granting 1.2 Acres Of Reservation Land In District Three To The Gila River Telecommunications Incorporated For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Utility Easement As Shown In Drawing No. #40313-0404-EA (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)  
Presenter: Dante Nash  
APPROVED

8. A Resolution Approving The Relinquishment Of Marissa Brooke Antone From The Gila River Indian Community Membership Roll (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)  
Presenters: Francisco Osfe, Enrollment Department  
APPROVED

ORDINANCES UNFINISHED BUSINESS
1. Financial Status - Gila Crossing Community School (G&MCS forwards to Council with recommendation of approval; ESC concurs)  
Presenter: Mario Molina  
APPROVED

2. Re-advertise - Chemawa Indian School Board Vacancy (1)  
Presenters: Reviewing Committee  
DECLARED TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR 30-DAYS

3. Communication Plan (Executive Session) (G&MCS forwards to Council for discussion in Executive Session for recommendation and consideration of approval)  
Presenters: Linus Everling, Thomas Murphy  
ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE  
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolutions as required to Council in Executive Session)  
Presenters

5. Super Bowl XLIX Host Committee Sponsorship Agreement (Executive Session) (G&MCS forwards to Council in Executive Session)  
Presenter: Ronald Rosier  
ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT AS FYI

6. Code of Conduct Findings (Executive Session) (LSC forwards the Special Investigating Findings to the 1/15/14 Council Meeting & adopt the Special Investigating Findings)  
Presenter: Chelsea Durkin  
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO ADD HOPV TRIBE INAUGURATION DELEGATION

NEW BUSINESS
1. Declaration of Vacancies (2) – Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority  
Presenter: Jacqueline Thomas  
DECLARED

2. Nomination to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention/HATSR Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC)  
Presenters: Health & Social Standing Committee  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO NOMINATE COUNCILWOMAN CAROL SCHURZ

3. Nomination to the Department of Health and Human Services Secretary’s Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC)  
Presenters: Health & Social Standing Committee  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO NOMINATE COUNCILWOMAN CAROL SCHURZ

4. Glendale Action Plan (Executive Session) (G&MCS forwards to Council with recommendation of approval; in Executive Session to include Presenters, Community Council, Executive Office, Office of Treasurer and Office of General Counsel)  
Presenter: Ronald Rosier  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO Approve [ADDENDUM TO AGENDA]

5. Hopi Tribe Inauguration Delegation  
Presenter: Governor  
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO UTILIZE THE COUNCIL DELEGATION/LINE ITEM FOR TRAVEL MINUTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS
>MISS GILA RIVER WINTER GATHERING, FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2014, 1:00PM – 10:00PM  
>CONCERNS OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT MATERIAL WERE EXPRESSED  
>PAULA GONZALES FUNERAL SERVICES FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2014, 8:00AM

ADJOURNMENT
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:44pm  
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