Primary Election Results

Unofficial results show Mendoza and Lewis moving on in governor’s race. Evans and Antone were the top vote-getters for lieutenant governor.

From left: Gov. Gregory Mendoza, Lt. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Mendoza and Lt. Gov. Stephen Roe results, incumbent Gov. Gregory governor and lieutenant governor - down the playing field to two can

By Mikhail Sundust
Gila River Indian News

Gila River voters whirled down the playing field to two candidates each in the races for GRIC governor and lieutenant governor in the Sept. 16 primary election. According to the unofficial results, incumbent Gov. Gregory Mendoza and Lt. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis will move on in the gubernatorial election. Former District 6 Community Council Representative Terrance B. Evans and District 4 Council Representative Monica Antone conclude on the campaign trail for lieutenant governor. The general election will take place Nov. 4. Gov. Mendoza was one of the top selections for voters, earning 30.25 percent of the vote. Lt. Gov. Lewis had the highest percentage of votes in his bid for governor with 39.43 percent. Mendoza performed strongest in Districts 6 and 4 and had the favor of absentee voters over Lewis. In all, 465 voted for Mendoza to stay in office. Lewis, however, found a swell of support in Districts 1, 2, 3 and 5; he combined for a one-vote difference between the two contenders.

District 4 Community Council Representative Jennifer Allison had 15.35 percent of the vote, followed by former Lt. Gov. Joseph Manuel with 9.76 percent and Jivik Siiki, aka Adrian Hendricks, with 4.68 percent. In the contest for lieutenant governor, former District 6 Rep. Evans and current District 4 Rep. Antone were the clear winners with 24.05 percent and 22.44 percent of the vote, respectively. Both candidates saw the strongest voter support in their home districts. From D6, 131 voted for Evans, who got 373 votes total. Meanwhile, 73 from D4 voted for Antone, who got 348 total. The other five candidates for lieutenant governor were Kerris Kyyitan, Wanda J. Manuel, Representative Franklin Pablo Sr., Kris Kyyitan, Wanda J. Manuel, Representative Monica Antone-Morago, Jea

Westend Court Demolished

By Roberto A. Jackson
Gila River Indian News

With a few strikes from a hydraulic excavator, the Westend Court building made its descent into rubble and debris. The dust rose in the air and 40 years of service in that particular facility rose in the air with it.

Chief Judge Anthony Hill commemorated the demolition, along with Gov. Gregory Mendoza and a handful of GRIC judicial employees, with a small but poignant ceremony on Sept. 15. “The building was built back in 1974 to serve Westend residents because it was too far to go to Sacaton,” said Hill.

Former Gov. William Rhodes, then Chief Judge, advocated for the building in the early 1970s, and when it was completed it served as a courthouse and a detention facility.

Gov. Mendoza acknowledged that the small structure served the Community well, but it had out-lived its usefulness. “Each person who worked here, all played a role in bringing justice to the Westend communities,” said Gov. Mendoza.

The jail was eventually shut down but the court still functioned; however, being an old structure, it was maligned with age and small reptiles and insects.

The Westend Judicial Center is currently relocated to the Health Resources Center in District 6. Services will move to a modular building in mid-November.

Gila River Arena Now Home to Coyotes

By Roberto A. Jackson
Gila River Indian News

A lot is new about the Arizona Coyotes. The small structure served the with 39.43 percent. Of those, 119 voted by mail-in ballot. An announcement for the 11 candidates running uncontested for his current position; therefore it was not listed on the primary election ballot. Out of 6,400-plus registered GRIC voters, 1,542 participated in the election, a 24 percent turnout. Of those, 119 voted by mail-in bal-

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Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital
Komatke Health Center
Ak-Chin Clinic & All Pharmacy’s

Will be CLOSED
In observance of Native American Day
Friday, September 19, 2014 & Saturday, September 20, 2014

The Pediatric Outreach Mobile Unit will be at the following schools in September to administer immunizations and perform sports physicals:

- Skyline Middle School  Monday 9/8/2014
  Thursday 9/11/2014
- Ira Hayes High School  Monday 9/15/2014
  Thursday 9/16/2014
  Monday 9/22/2014
  Tuesday 9/23/2014

Clinic Hours: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For additional information contact: Robin Henry FNP,BC at (520) 610-2379

Family Planning/HIV Program Mobile Unit
For more appointments or information, call 520. 371.0132.

Gila River EMS Offers CPR/AED/First Aid Classes
Gila River EMS will continue CPR/AED/First Aid classes through the end of this year. Classes are FREE to all Community members and any Community employee with direct contact with Community members. Call Grace Watson, Training Supervisor, to enroll in a class 520-796-4592. Classes are held in both District Six and Sacaton.

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"Grumpy Chair"
We gather for our Memories;
We miss them here and gone.
We look back and remember,
Hoping they know we cared.
We think of all the old things,
And things we’ve all said over.
Things we’ve played, things that made
Our youth a happy one.

If we could turn the pages back
And visit with them again,
We would be kinder to them then.
And would we treat them then?

For now there is the occasional visit
That recreates them all,
The friends we knew, as we grow
But have not to answer call.

So let us pass one another day
When we’re called to find hand,
We will meet each and everyone,
And shake them by the hand.

We could feel their love in face,
Things you wish to say.
The things we’re Neat and need
Before they went away.

Happy to fit this occasion
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O’otham Veterans Celebration Held in District 6

By Christopher Lomaquahu
Gila River Indian News

The O’otham Veterans Celebration took place at the District 6 Komatke Boys & Girls Club before a large audience of current and past members of U.S. armed forces. On Sept. 13, veterans old and young stood proud at the celebration for their service to their country.

Gov. Gregory Mendoza in his address to the audience praised the Community’s long history of service to the nation. “We as Native Americans have represented our tribes and country and our O’otham people,” said Mendoza.

Gov. Mendoza added: “We have to ask ourselves, what are we doing to really help our veteran, beyond the celebrations, holidays, anniversaries and other events?”

Recently, the Community worked with the Department of Veterans Affairs to develop a plan to serve GRIC veterans, with a goal to “establish a system of programs and services.”

Gov. Mendoza said an “ad-hoc” team has been assembled to address the various issues veterans face, including housing, counseling and employment.

To conclude his speech Mendoza said, “It is time to do more for our veterans,” as he thanked them for voicing their concerns.

Haskell-Osife Antoine Post 51 Commander David Anderson presented Mendoza with a certificate of appreciation and gave thanks for the work the current administration is doing for them.

After a rash of bad public relations about the level of treatment for veterans in the news, the Department of Veterans Affairs wants to make sure American Indians are not left out of the picture by increasing their outreach to tribal communities.

VA Chief social worker David Jacobson said, 22,000 American Indians currently serve in the armed forces, which is the highest among the country’s minorities enlisted. Jacobson alluded to the fact that many current and returning veterans may need assistance to stay on their feet, especially regarding housing.

Rodriguez Kuanattenmos, a VA representative and veteran, talked about the enrollment and eligibility resources from the VA and a unique opportunity for veterans called the American Indian direct loan program.

The loan can be used to improve or purchase a home on tribal trust land in order to improve the quality of living for veterans in need of assistance. All the paperwork and loan approval is done through the VA, without the involvement of banks, which makes the program ideal for veterans.

He thanked the American Legion posts, because as he said, “They first brought to light the problems in the VA system by stepping up to the plate to make folks accountable.”

This year’s celebration brought many new opportunities to veterans of the Community and their O’otham neighbors. Much of the focus was on the quality of care and how much the Community is willing to invest in the welfare of its veterans.

For the VA, it is a step in a more positive direction as they focus on being involved with American Indian tribes and their veterans.

Veterans gathered at the Boys & Girls Club- Komatke Branch for the O’otham Veterans Celebration.

This year’s celebration marked the first year it has been brought to other O’otham tribes in Salt River, Tohono O’odham and Ak-Chin. The purpose of the event is to be inclusive of all veterans from these communities and elsewhere to raise awareness about the needs of veterans.

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Gila River Arena

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“We are here today to announce a historic partnership between the Gila River Indian Community and the Arizona Coyotes and to unveil the new Gila River Arena,” said Gov. Gregory Mendoza at the ceremony.

Gila River Casino is already a sponsor for the hockey club, now that role is considerably expanded.

“We can’t express our gratitude more deeply to the leadership of the Gila River Indian Community for their long term partnership,” Coyotes President and CEO Anthony LeBlanc said during the ceremony. LeBlanc is optimistic the permanent signage will be in place for the Oct. 9 season opener against the Winnipeg Jets.

Dignitaries in attendance were Gov. Jan Brewer, Glendale Mayor Jerry Weiers, President of the Board of Directors for Gila River Casino Deborah Griffin, GRIC Lt. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Gila River Community Council representatives. Joining the festivities were many representatives from the Coyotes including General Manager Don Maloney, head coach Dave Tippett and players Shane Doan and Mike Smith.

The arena, located near the Westgate Entertainment District and the University of Phoenix Stadium, features the Coyotes but also other sporting events and concerts. The financial terms of the deal were not disclosed.

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First Checks are Mailed for the Nearly $950 Million in Cobell Trust Administration Class Payment

Submitted by Garden City

SEATTLE (September 15, 2014) – The Garden City Group, Inc. (Garden City) and Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton, announced that the first checks were mailed today, Monday, September 15, to the Trust Administration Class in the Cobell Indian Trust Settlement.

On August 30, 2014, the Interior Department provided the data to the Cobell Settlement TrustEE Administration Class Payment of the Trust Administration Class Members where we have current address beginning to day,” said Jennifer Keough, Chief Operating Officer, Garden City.

Garden City is sending checks to Trust Administration Class Members that the first checks were mailed.”

The Cobell Settlement is the largest class action settlement against the federal government. Filed in 1996 by the late Elouise Cobell and other Native American leaders, it sought an accounting of the individual Indian trust accounts and reform of the trust system, which had been mismanaged for over a century. Once the case settled, counsel for the Plaintiffs Bill Dorris and David Smith of Kilpatrick Townsend, and Garden City were tasked with distributing funds to 500,000 individual Indian beneficiaries across the country.

Early Morning Storms Cause Floods and Closures

By Christopher Lomahquahu

The morning skies let loose as the summer monsoon paid a visit to the Valley and Community. On Sept. 8, the daily commute for many workers was interrupted by impassable roads from the heavy rains received in the early dawn hours.

If you happened to tune in to the morning news broadcast, you saw many of the Valley roadways and neighborhoods were flooded, including Interstate 10 in the West Valley resembling a small lake. Some of the news outlets were coining the heavy flooding conditions as a “50 year flood,” because conditions like that only happens every 50 years.

For the Community, the storm did not hold back affecting members living in flood-prone areas of the reservation. The options for getting around were limited as the water overtook drainage and canal systems flowing onto the roads. Many Community members and employees were unable to make it into work and were forced to turn-around.

Many of the roads in Districts 4 through 7 were closed, including State Route 87 that runs through D4. Drivers were warned to exercise caution as the flood waters continued to flow across roadways. Despite a break from rain, standing water was a concern.

The Community Office of Emergency Management (OEM) activated the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to mitigate the impact to those affected by the storm. Many of the requests that came from Community members about flooding and other storm-related damage were coordinated by the district service centers and the EOC.

As a result of heavy damage caused by the storm, many residents in D5 and D6 were forced to leave their homes for a short time. The service centers in D5 and D6 provided temporary shelter to storm stricken families. Gov. Gregory Mendoza stated at the time that GRHC was “working to ensure the safety of the Community members,” including the early release of tribal employees at 3 p.m.

In addition, Gila River Health Care closed the Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital at 12 p.m. with only a few departments in operation, including those able to respond to emergencies and responsible over the treatment of inpatients.

The Komatke Clinic, D'Alexis West Clinic, Residential Treatment Center (RTC) and Ak-Chin Clinic took similar action and closed their doors Monday, but were open the following day, along with departments that were closed at Hu Hu Kam Hospital.

The early closures allowed employees to take the remainder of the day off to avoid being caught in midst of another heavy storm, or allowing them to attend to other matters related to the storm.

Out of safety for the children, many of the schools and childcare centers across the Community were closed with the exception of Sacaton Elementary and Middle Schools, which remained open. Many of the schools and childcare facilities reported minor to moderate damage to classrooms, with leaks in ceilings and flooding in some classrooms.

As the Community responded to areas impacted by the storm, the weather cleared out giving way to the clean up. Thoroughfares, such as 51st Avenue and Riggs Road, required the removal of soil and debris. Riggs Road between State Route 347 and Interstate 10 still had standing water on the eastbound lane. Fortunately for Community members and commuters the roads were opened the following day.

GRHC introduces new CEO

Gila River Health Care Board introduced Lorrie Henderson, the new CEO for the GRHC on Sept 3. Henderson brings with him years of experience in behavioral health and health care, focusing on compassionate care as the new CEO. In addressing council, Henderson said "I hopefully can bring some additional experience to help [GRHC] get better."
The name for this month translates to “dry grass month” and refers to annual plants that go dormant during this time of year. During this month the Autumn Equinox occurs and the nights become longer and the days shorter. In former days, O’otham begin to harvest and store crops from the farms, dried foods, and gather basket making materials that would last them throughout the winter months.

In his book “A Pima Remembers (1959),” George Webb wrote about what was stored inside typical O’otham kosiin (store room). “The Pimas did not sell much of their farm produce, but stored it away for food and seed. In the store room (kosiin) there would be three or four large size storage baskets. There would be smaller baskets and ollas full of mesquite bean cakes, balls of cactus fruit, cactus seeds, dried meat in sacks, corn, beans, dried beans, and dried foods, and gathered basket making materials that would last them throughout the winter months.”

A standard Pima basket is called a hua or huhua (pl.) and are woven with split cattail (ud-vak), strips of willow tree inner bark (che’ul) and strips of devil’s claw (i:hug). The large storage baskets are called vashom and vashom (pl.) and were woven out of wheat straw and strips of screwbean mesquite bark. Another granary basket was the homtha or ho’homtha (pl.) and woven out of arrowweed (u’us kokomag) and branches of willow (che’ul). The ho’homtha were stored outside on top of the vatho, or a platform at ground level. Woven mats were used both as a groundcover and a lid of these granaries.

On the third Friday of September we celebrate Ve’c na:nko (store room). This month’s word match focuses on O’otham words for the different storage baskets and the materials they are woven with. We encourage you to learn the words and use them in your everyday lives.

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1. Give unconditional love. Your child benefits the most when you love him just the way he is. Yes, even when he is naughty, throws tantrums, and bites his sister. “I love you no matter what!” Instead of saying, “You’re bad!” try “Pushing your sister isn’t nice. It can hurt. Please don’t push.”

2. Pay Attention. When you give your child your undivided attention that tells him that you think he is important and valuable. It doesn’t have to be a lot of time. It means taking a moment to shut off the TV or put down the phone, get on the floor and make eye to eye contact with your kiddo. It will do wonders for your child’s self-esteem!

3. Celebrate the positive. Everyone enjoys encouragement! Share the good things that your child does with someone in your home, while your child can hear! For example, tell Grandma “Joshua picked up all his toys today!” He’ll feel loved and valued, and he just might keep picking up all his toys knowing how proud of him you and Grandma are!

4. Listen well. If your child is trying to tell you something stop, make eye contact, listen to what she has to say, even if you do not understand. By doing this you are showing your child that what she has to say is more important than anything else you are doing. She needs to know that her thoughts and feelings matter to you.

5. Provide Encouragement. Every child needs loving support from their loved ones. Kids need to know that their parents and loved ones believe in them. Encouragement is supporting your child along the way, not just rewarding the achievement. “Keep going! You got this! Don’t give up!” are great ways you can encourage your child.

The U.S. Department of the Interior Land Consolidation Efforts Underway

Offers are currently pending for eligible landowners with fractional interests within the proposed transmission corridor on the Gila River Indian Reservation Deadline: October 10, 2014.

Landowners are encouraged to contact the Trust Beneficiary Call Center (TBCC) to learn about eligibility and to ensure their contact information is current:

1 (888) 678-6836

More information is also available from your local Fiduciary Trust Officer (FTO) at the Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, or on the web at: www.doii.gov/buybackprogram
**Health & Wellness**

**Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program**

Submitted by the Miss Indian Arizona Association

On the evening of October 11, 2014, Alyssa Garcia from the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the reigning Miss Indian Arizona, 2013-14 will crown another beautiful young lady as Miss Indian Arizona, 2014-15 at the Chandler Center for the Arts.

Eight outstanding Arizona Native women will vie for the title of Miss Indian Arizona during the 53rd Annual Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program. The program will be held at the Chandler Center for the Arts, 250 N. Arizona Avenue, Chandler, AZ and begins at 6:30 p.m.

The program is presented by the Miss Indian Arizona Association and the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona. This year’s theme is “Honoring Friendships of Arizona Tribes”.

The eight lovely young women vying for the title are from seven Arizona tribes. This year’s participants are:
- Shelyne Twist – Cocopah Indian Tribe
- Lis Hendricks – Gila River Indian Community
- Shaandiin Parrish - Navajo Nation
- Martha Ludlow Martinez – Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
- Miriam May – San Carlos Apache Tribe
- Jaylene Wood – Tohono O’odham Nation
- Karlette Miguel – Tohono O’odham Nation
- Shasta Dazen – White Mountain Apache Tribe

The Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program provides the opportunity for young Indian women to receive scholarship, which assist them in achieving their educational goals and serves to enhance career opportunities and produce role models who exemplify positive Native American values.

Tickets may be purchased from the Chandler Center for the Arts Box Office, 480-782-2680 or online at www.chandlercenter.org. Ticket prices are Adults $12, Children 12 & under $7.00.

In collaboration with the Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program, the City of Chandler presents the Chandler Indian Art Market on October 10th, 3 – 9 pm, October 11th, 9am – 6pm & October 12th, Noon – 4 p.m. at A.J. Park, 3 S. Arizona Avenue, Chandler, AZ. A weekend filled with entertainment, food, and authentic Native American Art!

For more information visit www.chandleraz.gov/indianaz.

For more information about the Scholarship Program, volunteering with, or donations to the Miss Indian Arizona Association, please visit the organization’s website at www.missindianarizona.com.

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- Norco
- Lortab

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Inspirational Speaker Tyson Dever Visits Ira H. Hayes High School

Inspirational speaker Tyson Dever visited Ira Hayes High School Sept. 15. He talked to the Gila River youth about not letting your obstacles define you, using the gifts you’re given in life to their fullest and facing life’s challenges head on. To see the video telling Tyson’s incredible story of recovery and resilience, visit www.youtube.com and search “Tyson Dever” – it’s the first video in the list.

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Gila River Johnson O’Malley Program
Parent Indian Education Committee

Parent Meeting!

Where: Coolidge High School - Media Center
(684 W. Northern Ave. Coolidge, Az. 85128)

Date: September 25, 2014
Time: 6:00pm

Learn more about the resources available to your JOM Students and have a say in the GRIC Johnson O’Malley Program. There will also be a Question and Answer session with the Coolidge High School Principal.
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO TABLE [GOVERNOR GREGORY MENDOZA CALLED FOR AN HOUR LUNCH BREAK RECONVENED AT 1:04PM]

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

7. The Center For Applied Research, Inc. - Fiscal Year 2014 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: Robert F. Robinson, Chad B. Linse

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

8. Greenberg Traurig, LLP – Fiscal Year 2014 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: Brian Schulman

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. Rotheast Law Firm-Fiscal Year 2014 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: Eric N. Dahlstrom, Denten R. Robinson

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

10. Osborn Maledon, PA-Fiscal Year 2014 Annual Report (Executive Session)

Presenters: David Rosenbaum

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION


Presenters: Janice Ponziani

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. Gila River Gaming Commission-General Report For The Month Of July 2014 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Sergio Ruiz, Courtney Mohay

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

13. Quarterly Financial Activity Report-FY2014 3rd Quarter (Executive Session)

Presenters: Treasurer Robert G. Keller

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

GOVERNOR GREGORY MENDOZA CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK RECONVENED AT 1:24PM


Presenters: Steven Heely

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

15. 2013-2014 Gila River Indian Community Head Start and Early Head Start Program Information Report (PIR) (Executive Session)

Presenters: Patricia Valenzuela

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MOTION APPROVED AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. Update on High School (Executive Session)

Presenters: Mario Molina

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty Year Residential/Homesite Lease On Allotment 3432 Located On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Dean Howard

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3. A Resolution Authorizing The Tribal Education Department To Submit A Grant Application To The Bureau Of Indian Education, Sovereignty In Indian Education Program Grant (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval ESC concurs)

Presenters: Mario Molina

APPROVED

4. A Resolution Of Consent To Grant A Liquor License To The Wild Horse Pass Development Authority For Use By The Toka Sticks Sheraton Hotel And Toka Sticks Golf Club (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenters: RoseMarie Horvath

APPROVED

5. A Resolution of Consent To Grant a Liquor License To The WHPDA For Use by the Toka Sticks Convenience Store & Gas Station (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenters: RoseMarie Horvath

APPROVED

6. A Resolution Authorizing The Akimel O’odham/Pee Posh Youth Council To Submit A Grant Application To The First Nations Development Institute, Advancing Positive Paths For Native American Boys And Young Men (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval)

Presenters: Michael Preston

APPROVED

7. A Resolution Approving A Fifty (50) Year Homestead Assignment Agreement For Alma Navarro Located In District Six Of The Gila River Indian Reservation And Designated As Drawing No. 30614-0650 (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Pamela Pasqual

APPROVED

8. A Resolution Granting 0.3344 Acres More Or Less, Of Reservation Land In District Six To The Gila River Indian Community Department Of Public Works For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Utility Easement And Rights Of Way Corridor As Shown In Drawing No. 30913-0154-EA (NRSC forwards to the Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Nancy House-Sanchez

APPROVED

9. A Resolution Designating, Redclassifying, And Approving 49.8695 Acres More Or Less Of Tribal Reservation Land Located In District One Of The Gila River Indian Reservation For The Development And Construction Of A Tribal Subdivision As Shown In Drawing #40114-0737 (NRSC forwards to the Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Dante Nash

APPROVED

10. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment Of Ricardo Leon Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Francisco Osafe

APPROVED

11. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment Of Vincente Goodman Into The Gila River Indian Community (LSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Francisco Osafe

APPROVED

12. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment Of Marten Neely Kisto Into The Gila River Indian Reservation (Executive Session)

Presenters: Jennifer Allison, Christopher Mendoza; D6-Janice F. Williams, Rodney Jackson; D4-Monica Antone, Lt. Governor Stephen R. Lewis

APPROVED

13. A Resolution Approving The Petition For The Enrollment Of Mychal Willard Siewyumptewa Into The Gila River Indian Reservation (Executive Session)

Presenters: Jennifer Allison, Christopher Mendoza; D6-Janice F. Williams, Rodney Jackson; D4-Monica Antone, Lt. Governor Stephen R. Lewis

APPROVED
**Two Employees Win Cards Tickets**

Congratulations to Elisa Hernandez and Eugene Moffet, who each won a pair of tickets to the Arizona Cardinals Nov. 2 away game against the Dallas Cowboys!

The GRIC Executive Office hosted a special event last Friday, Sept. 13 at the District 5 Service Center to thank all Community employees for their hard work and dedication. The midway event included raffle prizes, free lunch, outdoor games and a dunk tank.

The Cardinals tickets and all-expenses paid vacations were donated courtesy of the Community Council and GRTI.

The dedicated worker that he is, Moffet wasn’t even there when the MC called his name. “Oh my supervisor (Gray Kato) called me and let me know,” said the Department of Transportation main maintenance worker. “We were out working…on Farms Road – patching.”

Moffet said he’s gotten a few bribes for the tickets but he’s not giving them up. “Oh yeah, [my coworkers] they’re buying me big time, but that’s cool. They’re all congratulating me too…My wife’s really excited too. She didn’t believe it either,” he said.

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She flew in and leapt on stage and immediately turned to the audience and immediately knew who to call. “I’m taking my significant other Gary…the first thing that popped in my head was to call him.”

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