Housing Owners Team Cuts Ribbon on New Homes in District 1

By Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Housing Owners Team members cut the ribbon on Rebecca Chase’s new house - the first house to be built by the HOT in District 1, Jan. 28.

Chase thanked the community for helping her get a new home. “I’d like to thank District 1 for all their support and the District 1 Housing Committee for all their help,” she said.

By Annie Gutierrez
Gila River Indian News

Community member artists. The first exhibit in the solo exhibition series later this year.

Community artists Cher Thomas, Aaron Sabori and Sara Lucas will feature their work on top of their medications, making sure that they’re taking the appropriate medications.

Amy Davila Photography at Huhugam Heritage Center

By Annie Gutierrez
Gila River Indian News

The Huhugam Heritage Center is starting an exhibition series to display the works of Community member artists. The first exhibit features the photography of Amy Davila, District 4.

In one of Davila’s captivating photographs, titled “Parallel,” a barefoot woman in traditional O’odham clothing walks through her desert homeland while in the background the concrete jungle beyond the reservation thrives.

“I kind of created this traditional O’odham spirit from the other dimension into the modern world. This is my exploration of what I am thinking. If we were to practice our culture a hundred percent, would it look like this?” said Davila.

Davila’s solo exhibition, “She Who Searches for the River,” was unveiled to the public during an evening reception Jan. 16. The rhythm of rattling gourds filled the museum hall as guests admired the photographs.

Through photo manipulation, Davila’s photography captures the split-world reality of modern Native Americans. In her photography, an unmasked spirit strives to keep O’odham Himthagy (way of life) alive while adapting and surviving in a modern day society. Who is this mysterious woman?

“I like to stay away from that question,” laughs Davila about the mysterious person in her work. “I want the viewer to form that connection with her in a more spiritual sense and understand she is not just one person. She is within us. She is all of us.”

Urban community member Rosie Rivera was among the many guests who came out to the evening reception. Rivera, like many other urban members, relates to the concept of Davila’s art.

“It really resonated with me because I grew up on the reservation and now I live in the city. There is a fine line between balance of walking in both worlds,” said Rivera, 36.

Davila is an ASU graduate and has practiced in the field of crime scene photography, but Davila is now focusing on her art.

“She was done with the dead bodies. Let’s do something happy and fun. That’s when I went back to grad school and got back into Fine Art,” said Davila.

Davila’s artwork is the first of many community artists that will be featured at the Huhugam Heritage Center’s solo exhibition series.

“We are excited to have Amy Davila launch this series,” said Holly Metz, the Center’s senior curator. “We want to do this for community artists who want their work here at the Heritage Center. We will be having a new artist every three months.”

Community artists Chor Thomas, Aaron Sabori and Sara Lucas will feature their work in the solo exhibition series later this year.

“We Who Searches for the River” will be on display from Jan. 16 – April 17.

Amy Davila’s work, “Parallel.” Davila uses photo manipulation to create unique photographs. The artwork will be on display at the Huhugam Heritage Center through April 17.

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Lucinda M. Nez (Oliver)

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Measles is a highly infectious viral rash disease.

What are the symptoms of measles?
They include fever, cough, conjunctivitis (pink eye like); or a rash that begins on the face and head and spreads to the rest of the body.

How is measles spread or passed to others?
Measles is spread by bodily fluids - drops of saliva from the mouth, mucus from the nose, coughing or sneezing, and tears from the eyes. The measles virus can also float in the air for up to 2 hours after someone with measles coughs or sneezes indoors. Someone who breathes in the air containing the measles virus can get measles. People with measles can spread the disease to others from 4 days before the rash starts (before they know they have the disease) through 4 days after the rash begins.

What are complications of measles?
Diabetes, ear ache, pneumonia, swelling of the brain and or death.

What are vaccine recommendations?
The Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommends that anyone born during or after 1957 who does not have access to their vaccine record or evidence of being immune, consider getting at least one dose of the MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccine.

Is there treatment for measles?
There is no medicine that kills the measles virus once someone develops measles. Most people with measles get better by themselves.

What should I do to protect myself and my family?
Check your vaccination record and make sure everyone is up to date.

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Vista Ké Residential Care Program

What is the Vista Ké residential care program?
It is part of a collaborative initiative between Gila River Health Care’s (GRHC) Behavioral Health Services (BHS) and the Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) Housing Authority and District #6. The purpose of the program is to provide comprehensive services to Community members with a history of mental health diagnoses. The Vista Ké homes (with a view of the Estrella/Kimball residence) are located in District #6, and will function as an extension of the Residential Treatment Center (RTC) and outpatient services at Shepard. There will be 24-hour supervision of the residents and structured free time with outings and exercise opportunities.

Vista Ké operations and management?
Residential care services for up to four adults in a clinically structured setting.
A property managed and operated by GRHC Behavioral Health Services.
What is the Resident Criteria?
GRIC members with no current criminal charges, outstanding order of protection, no recent suicide attempts, no physically aggressive behavior and no drug use in the prior six months.
Valid mental health diagnosis or no psychiatric hospitalization within the past six months.

Who are the Vista Ké staff?
GRIC clinically trained staff will work with individuals who have mental health challenges.
Staff members will work on a rotating basis, 24 hours a day – 7 days per week.

What is the objective of the Vista Ké Residential Care Program?
To assist residents with gaining life skills needed to lead healthy, productive lives while promoting an alcohol and drug free lifestyle.

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Pimmex builds HOT homes

By Christopher Lomahquahu

The Community has contracted with Pimmex General Contracting to build the first sixty-two homes. Pimmex President and Community member from District 5 Carlos Muñoz said, “it’s a privilege and a dream for me to come back to the Community to implement the education and background I have in construction.”

He said, “too share the same dream that we can get these houses done. I do everything I can to make sure it happens in a quality manner,” said Muñoz. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis thanked the Community departments for their work on the HOT homes. “We were all working together,” he said. “It takes so much in regards to infrastructure and coordination to be able to have a finished product such as [this].”

He said, “It is important what is happening right here today. It speaks to our Community members who are waiting for houses. This is a strong start.”

Construction on more homes is underway with Kauzag Construction Services, another company that has been contracted to build homes in the Community. Pimmex and Kauzag will move from district to district, building homes in the Community simultaneously this year.

Diaper Drive Benefits Tribal Social Services

Submitted by GRIC Home Visitiation and Family Support Coalition

The Gila River Indian Community’s Home Visitation/Family Support coalition delivered 4,889 diapers and 1,140 wipes to Tribal Social Services on Wednesday January 14, 2015. The diapers were collected during the Coalition’s 1st annual Diaper Drive.

“These babies are our most vulnerable and our most precious resources and we want to support them, their families and the programs/Departments who serve them,” said coalition member Melissa Madrid. The Coalition decided to hold a diaper drive after they identified that many foster and emergency placement families have a need for diapers at some point when caring for foster babies. The goal of the diaper drive is not to be the only supplier of diapers but to support our Community needs from within our Community.

“We identified this need and wanted to work on creating a solution, by the Community for the Community,” said coalition member Laura Kesee.

“The Community talks about youth being a priority and that’s why we started with our babies, because they are our future leaders. We want to make sure they have what they need,” said Elisia Manual, a member of the coalition.

The Goal of the Home Visitation/Family Support Coalition is to encourage networking and coordination among Home Visitation programs. For questions on the Coalition please contact Cathy Brown, First Things First Regional Director and Member of the HV/Family Support Coalition at 480-207-4815.

Coalition Membership includes: First Things First Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council, GRHC’s Baby Smarts Home Visitation Program, GRHC’s Baby Smart Teen Parent Education Program, GRHC’s Public Health Nursing, Head Start/Early Head Start, FACE Blackwater Community Support Coalition, Gila Crossing Community School, Healthy Families Maricopa County, and Healthy Families Pinal County.

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Everybody Wins in Super Bowl XLIX

By Mikhail Sundust
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Super Bowl XLIX proved to be one of the most exciting ends to an NFL season in years. For the fourth time, quarterback Tom Brady, head coach Bill Belichick and the New England Patriots are the world champions.

Not only was the game incredible, but for weeks central Arizona buzzed with football spirit and Super Bowl-themed events.

Thanks to a partnership with the Arizona Super Bowl Host Committee, the Gila River Indian Community was heavily involved in this year’s super bowl experience.

GRIC hosted the championship winning Patriots at the Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort in the week leading up to the Super Bowl and participated in the AZ Fan Fest at Rawhide Western Town.

On Friday, Jan. 30 employees of the Gila River Public Safety Division participated in a “Pros vs. Joes” flag football competition for charity, a part of the Pro Day Experience at Rawhide. Members of the GRIC Fire Department, Police Department, Emergency Medical Services and other public safety departments made up two teams: the “Packers” and “Ravens.” The Packers won all three of its games against other “Joes” teams and placed third in the elimination obstacle course. The top “Joes” team went on to play current and former pro football players such as Pete Shaw, Chris Hale and Arizona Cardinals defensive end Calais Campbell. The event raised money for Campbell’s CRC Foundation, which promotes healthy living and leadership among young people.

GRIC’s partnership with the Host Committee provided opportunities for students from Blackwater Community School to also play football with Campbell at the NFL Experience Fuel Up to Play 60 on Jan. 30, and for many more GRIC students to attended the NFL Pro Bowl practice Jan. 23 at Scottsdale Community College.

Finally, Feb. 1 arrived and the 39 Community members who won a pair of tickets to the big game in the GRIC Super Bowl drawing marched into that memorable Sunday night. It was a once in a lifetime, unforgettable experience, the winners said. Regardless of which team they were cheering for, everyone agreed it was a great game and a very fun evening.

Clockwise from top right: GRIC Public Safety employees strategize with their coach Pete Shaw at the Pros vs. Joes charity competition. Griselda Ruiz and 4th-8th grade students from Gila Crossing Community School watch Pro Bowl players practice at Scottsdale Community College. Blackwater Community School students stand with Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis at the NFL Experience Fuel Up to Play 60 event. The confetti cannons boom at the University of Phoenix Stadium as the New England Patriots win Super Bowl XLIX; photo taken by Reuben Ringlero, who attended the game with his father Fred, a GRIC Super Bowl ticket winner. (Other photos by GRIN staff.)
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**Culture & History**

**Miss Gila River Winter Gathering**

Reigning Miss Gila River Lucia Antone hosted the annual Winter Gathering at the Huhtugam Heritage Center Jan. 24. The social gathering brought out many guests from other communities to share their culture, songs and dances. Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community group Bird Singing by the River and the Achem A'al Traditional Dancers were among the many groups that performed at the event. Guests enjoyed food and social dancing as well as the museum gallery that was opened for spectators to observe artifacts and photographs on display. Miss Gila River’s Winter Gathering was coordinated by the Miss Gila River Royalty Committee.

**Vista Ké Residential Care Program**

Members of the Vista Ke Residential Treatment Program present the new house in Dist.6 with a landscaped backyard and grilling area. The house will be staffed 24/7 with trained behavioral health specialists to help patients reintegrate back into the community while keeping up with all their health needs.

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prospective medications, making and keeping health appointments, engaging with them, and a host of other responsibilities.

Vista Ké will fulfill all of these needs and more. The program will provide therapy, art therapy, nutrition education, physical activity and wellness activities, family visitations and taking them to community outings and events. BHS also offers what it calls wrap-around services for its patients, which include spirituality support, life skills development, computer access so they can do school work and help to get them work if they are physically and mentally capable.

Establishing the Vista Ké came with some challenges of its own.

“There has been some resistance from some of the districts because of the misunderstanding of what the [residential care program] is,” said GRHC Director of Cultural Customer Service Ginger Martin. “When it was brought to our attention, we halted everything and we said, we want to make it right. What can we do?”

Martin and other GRHC staff went before the District 6 community at a district meeting Jan. 20 to ease public concerns and explain what the house is.

“The individuals that we’re placing in this house,” said Martin, aren’t ‘anybody who would be a challenge or a threat to the community’. We’ve selected people who have the ability to easily adapt with some guidance and some support.”

Residents must have no history of sexual violence against family members, no history of sexual abuse perpetration and must have been compliant with their medication and treatment for at least a year.

The Vista Ké staff who will be staying at the residence will be going door-to-door in the coming weeks to familiarize themselves with their neighbors and answer questions. “We certainly want to be good neighbors,” said Green.

Community members also inquired about the funding for the program.

GRHC received $98,000 from the Arizona Department of Health Services to completely refurbish the house. The remodeling effort included rebuilding walls and adding a small ramada and grill to the back yard for family member visitations and small gatherings.

Being fully convinced of the need this program will fulfill, the District 6 community approved GRHC’s project and District 6 elders have volunteered to bless the house. Martin was encouraged and grateful to have the district’s cooperation. She said that soon GRHC would like to open to a women’s home for the same purpose.

GRHC is diligently working to inform the community about this important program and is hosting events to create awareness and answer questions regarding the Vista Ké residential care program.

The program organizers and Vista Ké staff will be hosting an open house Tuesday, Feb. 10 from 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. at the house and all Community members are welcome to attend. The address is 14226 S. 53rd Avenue, Laveen, AZ 85339. Or you can learn more at the Community Awareness Meeting at the Komatke Health Center on Wednesday, Feb. 11.

For more information about the Vista Ké residential care program, contact: Mr. Shannon Sims at (520) 550-0015 or email ssims@grhc.org.

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**Something to be told**

By Billy Allen

When you’re at a big family gathering, you might hear bits of conversation like, “His parents were from Snaketown. She lives in Bapchule. There was a javelina running loose in Vah ki! Did that bear make it to Stotonic?”

Anthropologist Ruth Underhill came to Oldham county in the 1930’s and wrote about Oldham social organization. When on Gila River, she was interested in the “association and loyalty” that continued as people and villages began to move around 1860. From John P. Wilson’s, Peoples of the Middle Gila: A Documentary History of the Pimas and Maricopas, 1500’s – 1945, a list of villages from this time period was put together. Water was the driving force forcing people from one village to another. Villages were made up of family groups – parents, unmarried children, married sons. When villages moved, the name may have also followed. If the village headman went along, traditional government continued as it did for Bapchule, Sweetwater and Snaketown. If the headman chose not to move, a new village leader was chosen. Underhill’s work may help explain why Oldham relatives scattered among the districts and sister reservations.

“Standing Alone” was the original Santan village site, located west of present-day Sacaton, on the south side of the river. These people moved north of the river to upper Santan. Sacaton was initially called Thundering because they were the first to have guns. In the communal spirit, the Santan people helped clear more land for their fields and some moved to Lower Santan. Antonio Azul remembered his father borrowing money to dig a ditch to bring water to Sweetwater, where Antonio was born. The ditch was not fully operational until 1872. Stotonic or Many Ants was originally located south of the Gila River near present-day Sweetwater. In 1858, an Army lieutenant listed Stotonic headmen as Miguel, Xavier, and Cabeza del Agua (Eagle’s Head). Floods changed the riverbed, forcing villagers north to present-day Stotonic. Sweetwater and Stotonic are closely related.

Mount Top was located near Rattlesnake Home. George Pablo was interviewed in 1914 for a report called the Gila River Survey. Mr. Pablo fondly remembered the fields of his birthplace. The abandoned village was near Snake Hill.

Bapchule is an old village. Harry Winters describes 4 to 5 meanings of Bihbijk. One meaning may have come from one of the two peaks called Gila Butte. The northern butte is Aji. The southern butte, as seen from the village, has two upward curved peaks, hence the name Bihbijk. Bihbijk means to curve up, like the inside of a circle. This was also applied to names of scatter people. A man was named Bujun Daakam since his nose curved up like Bob Hope. (Ask an elder). Some of the villagers moved to Blackwater, but the core remained.

Today Vah ki is the large dirt mound next to the Casa Blanca highway. Vah ki is used to refer to the ruins or mounds left of multi-story buildings built by the Huhtugam. Back in 1859, trader Ammiti White built a flour mill near this dirt mound. At the time, since most GRHCers spoke two languages – O’otham and Spanish – White’s house became known as Casa Blanca. Both names are used to this day. The old village site and fields were down close to the akimel. Some of the people moved to Blackwater. Shudnad (water) was a farming village mainly north of the akimel though some people lived on the south bank. In the old days – because of the high water table in this area— crops only needed one or two irrigations during the growing season, hence Wetcamp. As our river was diverted way upstream, some families moved to Salt River in 1872. The remaining villagers moved to the south bank and settled a new Snaketown, while others moved to Gila Crossing. Today, Snaketown is known as a Hohokam settlement on the north side. But there is a “living” cemetery since people who can trace their family lineage to Sna- ketown can be buried there.

Under the Hill or Kavolik Vutuk (Ka’woluk) was located near present-day Sacaton. Kavolik is Pima Butte or “M” mountain and the village was below this mountain. It was west of the railroad which ran from Maricopa to Phoenix. Many moved to Gila Crossing, but a few remained and settled in Sacaton.

The Akimel O’otham hold annual traditions that occur each March 7th. The ceremony lasts for three days. The best turnout is when the Akimel greet the annual migration of birds. The ceremony honors the O’otham ancestors who have lived here for many generations. This ceremony is still held today. A new O’otham community has been formed. The site is also where the O’otham ancestors first lived. This is the O’otham’s traditional ceremony. The site was named after the O’otham ancestors who lived here. The ceremony is held on the second day of March.

At your next family gathering, maybe you can get some of the elders to share recollections about some of these villages and migrations. If your elderly are not so elderly, maybe they can tell you how Baloney Town and Dog Town got those names.

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The Akimel O’otham are a Native American tribe that is part of the Piman family. They are a part of the O’otham people who are descendants of the Hohokam people who lived in the Gila River Valley from about 1200 AD to 1450 AD. The Akimel O’otham are known for their unique culture and language. They have a strong sense of community and are known for their hospitality. They are also known for their traditional ceremonies, which are held to honor their ancestors and to celebrate the year. The Akimel O’otham are one of the most important tribes in Arizona and are known for their contributions to the state and the country.
ACTION SHEET
Community Council; PO Box 2138, Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729
CALL TO ORDER
The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community
Council held Wednesday January 7, 2015, in the Community
Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton,
Arizona. Call-to-order by presiding Chairman Governor
Stephen R. Lewis at 9:17am
INVOCATION
By Councilwoman Carol Schurz
ROLL CALL
Sign-in Sheet Circulated
Executive Officers Present:
Governor Stephen R. Lewis
Lt. Governor Monica Antoine
Council Members Present:
D1- Joey Whitman, Azzie Hogg (11:08am)
D2- Carol Schurz; Lt. Governor Monica Antone
Executive Officers Present:
ROLL CALL
Stephen R. Lewis at 9:17am
Arizona was called to order by presiding Chairman Governor
Council held Wednesday January 7, 2015, in the Community
CALL TO ORDER
Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729
ACTION SHEET
*1. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving The Child Wel-
GROW Initiative Agreement Between Casey Family Programs
And The Gila River Indian Community Tribal Social Services
Department (HSSC) motioned to forward to Community
Council with recommendation of approval) Presenter: Deannah Nisewoshishe
APPROVED
2. A Resolution Amending Resolution GR-18-14 Which Es-
tablishes A HB1127 Sport Fish Owner’s Team For Planning, Financing,
Development, Design And Construction Of Much Needed
Living Facilities For Community Members On The Tribal
Housing Waiting List (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community
Council with recommendation of approval) Approve:
Office of General Counsel
APPROVED
3. A Resolution Authorizing Tribal Officials To Initiate
Financial Transactions With The United States Department
Of Interior Office Of Special Trustees For American Indians
(G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with
recommendation of approval) Presenter: Rebecca Hall
APPROVED
4. A Resolution Authorizing The Transfer Of Existing
Community Wide Drainage Project Funds Identified Un-
der GR-184-04 From Tribal Projects Development To The
Department Of Land Use Planning & Zoning And To Be
Used For Flood Control Related Studies, Designs, Regula-
tory Development, Small Construction Remediation, And
Operation And Maintenance (G&MSC motioned to forward to
Community Council with recommendation of approval)
Presenter: Seaver Fields
APPROVED
5. A Resolution Approving The Restatement Of The
Retirement Plan For The Employees Of The Gila River Indian
Community In Accordance With Resolution GR-141-14,
Effective January 1, 2015 (G&MSC motioned to forward to
Community Council with recommendation of approval)
Presenter: Sharon Havier-Lewis
APPROVED
6. A Resolution Approving Tribal Education Allocation
Funds For Schools Located Within The Gila River Indian
Reservation (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community
Council with recommendation of approval) Presenter:
G&MSC motioned to forward to Community
Council with recommendation of approval)
Presenter: Patricia Valenzuela
APPROVED
7. A Resolution Approving And Adopting The Gila River
Indian Community Leasing Regulations Of 2014 Pursuant
To The Helping Expedite And Advance Responsible Tribal
Home Ownership Act (G&MSC motioned to forward to Com-
munity Council with recommendation of approval, NRSC,
EDC/SLC concurs) Presenter: Ronald Rosier
APPROVED
8. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving An Agreement
Between The Gila River Indian Community And Dr. David
Young (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community
Council with recommendation of approval) Presenter:
Jan Morris
APPROVED
9. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving An Agreement
Between The Gila River Indian Community And Dr. Michael
Christiansen (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community
Council with recommendation of approval) Presenter:
Jan Morris
APPROVED
10. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving An Agree-
ment Between The Gila River Indian Community And Dr. Camille
Hernandez (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community
Council with recommendation of approval) Presenter:
Patricia Valenzuela
APPROVED
11. A Resolution Approving The Gila River Indian Com-
munity District 5 School (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community
Council with recommendation of approval with the proper
information that was discussed earlier and forwarded to the Committee)
Presenter: Patricia Valenzuela
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
12. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 2753 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Nancy House-Sanchez
APPROVED
13. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 1705 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Nancy House-Sanchez
APPROVED
14. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 3198 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Nancy House-Sanchez
APPROVED
15. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 3803 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Four Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
16. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 3803 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District One Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
17. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 944 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
18. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 398 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Four Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
19. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 944 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
20. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 1043-A Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
21. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 1054 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
22. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 1147 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
23. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 2512 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval) Presenter: Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
24. A Resolution Consenting To A Non-Transferable Fifty
Year Residential/Homesite Lease on Allotment 2512 Located
On Allotted Trust Land In District Five Of The Gila River
Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to the Council with
recommendation for approval, with correction) Presenter:
Pamela Pasqual
APPROVED
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Council with recommendation of approval)
**Community Council Action Sheets**

Wednesday Jan. 21, 2015

By Community Council (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval; for changes)

Presenters: Government & Management Standing Committee

**DISPENSED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Code of Conduct (Executive Session)  
   Presenter: Linus Everling

**ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION MADE AND SECONDED TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECONDED TO AUTHORIZIZE THE LEGISLATIVE STANDING COMMITTEE TO INCLUDE THE POTENTIAL CODE OF CONDUCT VIOLATION IN THE PRESENT CODE OF CONDUCT INVESTIGATION; AND DIRECT THE SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR TO NOTIFY THE FORMER OFFICIAL AND PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A RESPONSE

**MINUTES**

1. August 21, 2014 (Special)  
   MOTION MADE AND SECONDED TO APPROVE #1 AND #3  
   2. August 29, 2014 (Special)  
   MOTION MADE AND SECONDED TO APPROVE #1 AND #3  
   3. September 3, 2014 (Regular)  
   APPROVED WITH CORRECTIONS AT #1  
   4. October 28, 2014 (Regular)  
   APPROVED WITH CORRECTIONS AT #1

**AGENDA FOR MEETING**

1. New Business
2. Old Business
3. Reports
4. Amendments to Council Rules of Procedure
5. Committee Reports
6. Unfinished Business
7. Adjournment
GRIC Members Sentenced for Lying to Grand Jury

By Mikhail Sundust
Gila River Indian News

A Gila River man and woman have been indicted for lying to a grand jury.

According to reports, on Jan. 5 Logan Keenan Brown, 21, was sentenced to 40 months in federal prison by U.S. District Judge Diane Humetewa, and on Dec. 8, 2014 Georgina Holguin, 44, of Bapchule, was sentenced to 24 months in prison by U.S. District Judge Douglas Raves both for making false declarations before a grand jury.

They lied in the case of the death of 48-year-old Lorenzo Saiza, who was fatally shot in Holguin’s residence on the Gila River Indian Reservation Aug. 29, 2013.

Reports indicate the two witnesses misidentified who was in the house at the time of the shooting. Prosecutors said Brown and Holguin were trying to protect Steven Brown, Logan’s brother, who is the suspected shooter.

A press release by the office of the U.S. District Attorney John S. Leonardo says, “The investigation in this case was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Gila River Police Department. The prosecution was handled by Raynette Logan and Melissa Karlen, Assistant U.S. Attorneys, District of Arizona, Phoenix.”
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